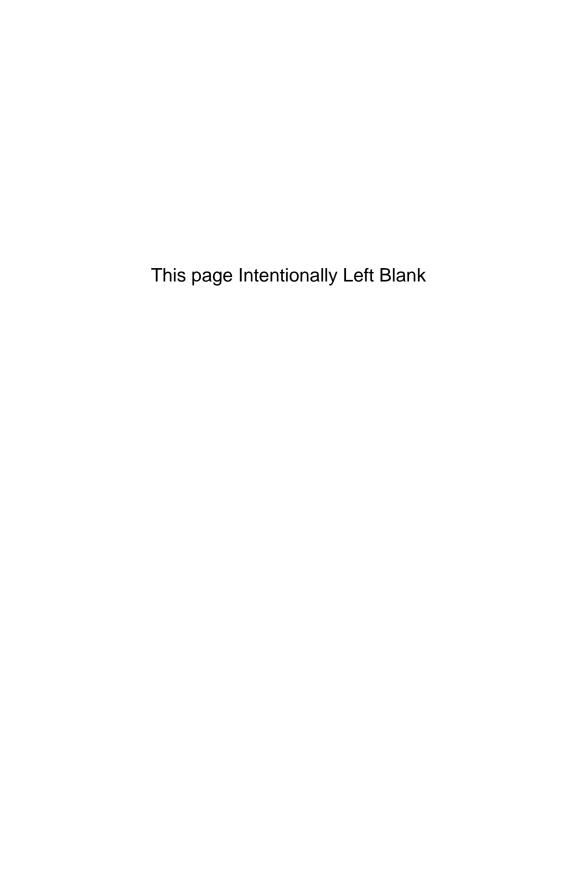
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Preface

It has been a long haul. The start for this revision came almost the same way that the original edition started. For the first edition it was Mike Ellerd, then an undergraduate at Montana State, who organized my crude Name Reaction handouts so well that others encouraged the conversion into a book. At Colby College, Frank Favaloro did the same thing, making "study sheets" and adding to the list of Name Reactions. He graduated in 1996 and I started reformatting and expanding. With encouragement from Darla Henderson, this became a project. By then Frank had finished graduate school and was enthusiastic about participating. I had also retired from formal teaching and found much more time for creative work. The three of us started to work in earnest!

This edition differs substantially from the first by the inclusion of many modern Name Reactions instead of sticking exclusively with the old, tried and true. There are many reactions not covered; indeed, we ultimately eliminated those that had little contemporary use. We generally applied a "rule of thumb" that a newer name had to be cited by multiple authors. Therefore there are some relatively new protocols that have not stood the test of time; however the breadth of recent use warranted inclusion. As for reagents, we have focused on both Name Reagents and those whose acronyms are often used in place of the actual name. We have noted the common use of these forms in current literature.

First and foremost, this is a book to be used. Feel free to write in the text... use any available blank space to add your own notes. Transform this into your book of Name Reactions! It is intended to serve as a starting point. Within a two page format for reactions and one page for reagents, the reader will find a basic, generalized definition / formula, a mechanism that conveys a possible course from starting material to product, notes which describe a few of the major highlights of the reaction or which points the reader to related reactions (by name or similarity) and recent examples of use. We have tried to convey the current mechanistic thinking with special care to show intermediate steps, point out proton exchanges, and sometimes suggest transition states, but without going through kinetics, isotope effects, etc.

Wherever appropriate, we have included references to selected secondary sources. They contain more detailed discussions on the topics introduced in this book. In all cases, we recommend use of the primary literature. The examples in the following pages are but a small taste of the detail, variation, scope and experimental detail available. Our choices reflect our personal interests; there is no "better or worse" implied! We tried to use current examples from journals that seem to be most commonly accessible, both in paper form and electronically, to student and professional alike. When recent references were difficult to come by, we made use of the abstracts and reaction-search engine of SciFinder (American Chemical Society). In these cases, we supplied a number [AN year: XXXX] that will allow ready access to the abstract. To the authors of the works we have chosen to describe, we hold the most sincere gratitude and we hope we have faithfully represented your work.

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

\$ \\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	Acronym
cac Acetylacetonate J J	Ac
	Acac
	AcOH (HOAc)
Me Me	AIBN
$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{CN} & \text{NC} \\ & & &$	ACN
9-Borobicyclo[3.3.1]nonane	<u>9-BBN</u>
2,2'-Bis(Diphenylphosphino)-1,1'- binaphththyl	<u>BINAP</u>
NOL 1,1'-bi-2,2'-naphthol OH	<u>BINOL</u>
TIP Binol/Titanium isopropoxide Ti(iPrO) ₄ / BINOL	BITIP
Bromomagnesium Diisopropylamide Me Me N MgBr Me Me Me Me Me Me Me Me Me M	BMDA
MS Borane Dimethylsulfide BH ₃ -Me ₂ S	<u>BMS</u>

BMS	Borane Dimethylsulfide	BH ₃ -Me ₂ S
Bn-	Benzyl	₹ CH ₂
Boc- (t-Boc)	t-Butoxycarbonylchloride	Me ξ−C−O−C Me 0 Me
BOM-	Benzyloxymethyl-	CH ₂ -O-CH ₂ -ξ
Bs	Brosylate	Solution III
Bu ₃ SnH	tri- ⁿ butylstannane	ⁿ Bu)₃SnH
Bz	Benzoyl	See C
CAN	Ceric ammonium nitrate	Ce(NH ₄) ₂ (NO ₃) ₆
<u>CAS</u>	Ceric ammonium sulfate	Ce(NH ₄) ₄ (SO ₄) ₄
<u>Cbz-</u>	Carbobenzyloxy	—CH ₂ —O—C−ξ
<u>CDI</u>	1,1'-Carbonyldiimidazole	
Cetyl	Hexadeca-	C ₁₆ H ₃₃ -
<u>cod</u>	Cyclooctadiene	
ср	Cyclopentadienyl	
ср*	Tetramethylcyclopentadienyl	Me Me Me
<u>CSA</u>	Camphorsulfonic Acid	Me Me HO ₃ S-H ₂ C
<u>DABCO</u> <u>TED</u>	1,4-Diazabicylo[2.2.2]octane, TED, triethylenediamine	
		<u> </u>

X		Acronyms and Abbreviations
<u>DAST</u>	Diethylamino)sulfur trifluoride	N-SF ₃
<u>DBN</u>	1,5-Diazabicyclo[4.3.0]non-5-ene	
<u>DBU</u>	1,5-Diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene	N
<u>DCC</u>	Dicyclohexylcarbodiimide	N=C=N-
<u>DDQ</u>	2,3-Dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4- benzoquinone	NC CI
<u>DDO</u>	Dimethyldioxirane	Me O O
<u>DEAD</u>	Diethyl Azodicarboxylate	EtOOC-N=N-COOEt
DEIPS	Diethylisopropylsilyl	Et i-Pr — Si — § Et
DET	Dietkyl tartrate	OH EtOOC - CH-CH - COOEt HO in R-, S, and meso
DIBAL DIBAL-H	Disobutylaluminum hydride	forms Me Me Al Me
DIEA DIPEA	Diisopropylethylamine Hunig's base	H Me Me Me N Me Me Me Me Me
<u>DIPT</u>	Diisopropyl tartrate	OH iPrOOC - CH-CH - COOiPr HO in R-, S, and meso forms
<u>Diglyme</u>	Diethylene glycol dimethyl ether	MeO OMe

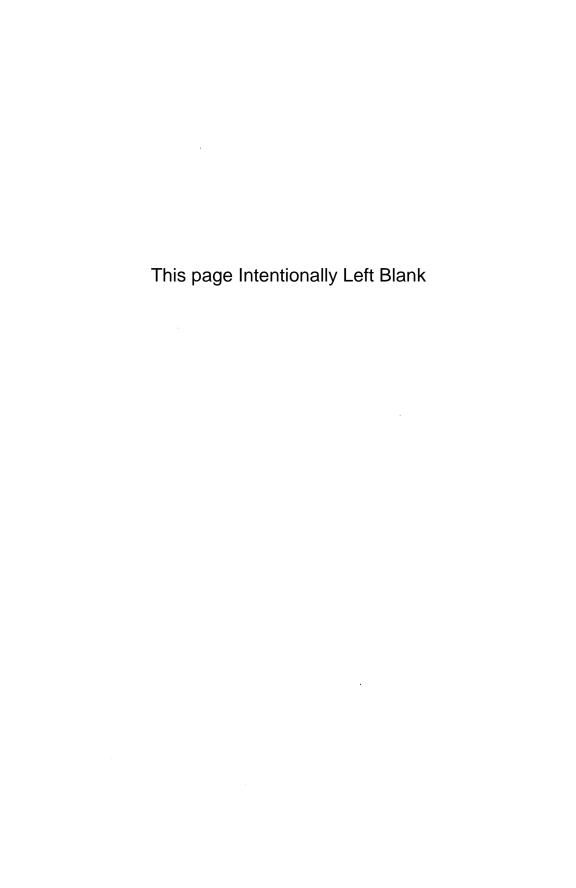
Acronyms and Ab	Dieviations	XI
DMAP	4-(Dimethylamino)pyridine	Me Me
<u>DME</u>	1,2-Dimethoxyethane Glyme	MeO
DMIPS	Dimethylisopropylsilyl	Me i-Pr—Si—ξ Mc
DMF	Dimethylformamide	Me H-C, N-Me
DMP	Dimethylpyrazole	Me Me
DMPU	N,N'-Dimethylpropyleneurea	Me. N. Me
DMS	Dimethylsulfide	Me-S _{Me}
DMSO	Dimethylsulfoxide	Me-S-Me
DNP	2,4-dinitrophenyl	O_2N O_2N
<u>dppe</u>	1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane (DIPHOS)	Ph-P P-Ph
<u> дррр</u>	1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)propane	Ph-P P-Ph
ee	enantiomeric excess = % major enantiomer - % minor enantiomer	
Fmoc	9-Fluorenylmethoxycarbonyl	25.

xii		Acronyms and Abbreviations
нсти	2-(6-Chloro-1H-benzotriazole-1-yl)-1,1,3,3-tetramethyluronium hexafluorophosphate	$\begin{array}{c c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ &$
HMPT HMPA	Hexamethylphosphoric triamide	Me N Me O=P-N Me Me N Me Me Me Me
НМТА	Hexamethylenetetramine	N N
нтів	Hydroxy(tosyloxy)-iodobenzene	OH ON Me
Im	Imidazoyl	HNN
<u>Іср₂ВН</u>	Diisopinocampheylborane	Me Me Me
<u>LTA</u>	Lead tetraacetate	OAc AcO-Pb-OAc OAc
LTMP LiTMP	Lithium 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidide	Me N Me Me Li
<u>MAD</u>	Methylaluminum bis(2,6-di-t-butyl-4-methylphenoxide)	Me Me Me Me Me Me
МСРВА	m-Chlorperoxybenzoic acid	Cl CO ₃ H
MeCN	Acetonitrile	Me~C≡N
MEM-	2-Methoxyethoxymethyl	MeO O S
Ms	Mesyl, Methanesulfonyl	S III
·	***************************************	<u> </u>

Acronyms and Abb	reviations	XIII
MTM	Methylthiomethyl	ξ
MVK	Methyl Vinyl Ketone	Me — O
NBS	N-Bromosuccinimide	ON O
<u>NCS</u>	N-Chlorosuccinimide	o NO
<u>NMM</u>	4-Methylmorpholine	Me N O
<u>NMO</u>	N-Methylmorpoline-N-oxide	Me, O
NMP	N-Methylpyrrolidone	Ne O
PCC	Pyridinium chlorochromate Corey's Reagent	
PDC	Pyridinium dichromate	$\left(\begin{array}{c} \bigoplus_{\substack{\mathbf{N} \\ \mathbf{H}}} \\ \end{array} \right)_{2} \operatorname{Cr}_{2} \operatorname{O}_{7} $
Pd(dba)2	Bis(dibenzylideneacetone)palladium (0)	
PMB	p-Methoxybenzyl	E-CH ₂ -OMe
PNB	para-Nitrobenzoyl	S C NO ₂
<u>PPA</u>	Polyphosphoric Acid	Unspecified mixture with High concentration of P ₂ O ₅
PTT (PTAB)	Phenyltrimethylammonium tribromide Phenyltrimethylammonium perbromide	Me ⊖ Ph−N-Me Br ₃ Me
L		

iv		Acronyms and Abbreviation
<u>PPTS</u>	Pyridinium para-toluenesulfonate	Me N H SO3
<u>PTSA</u>	p-Toluenesulfonic acid; Tosic acid	Me—SO ₃ —SO ₃ H
Pv	Pivaloyl	O Me V ' ' ' C - C - Me Me
Ру	Pyridine	
<u>RAMP</u>	(R)-1-Amino-2- Methoxymethylpyrrolidine	H-N-N H OCH3
<u>SAMP</u>	(S)-1-Amino-2- Methoxymethylpyrrolidine Ender's Reagent	H-N-N H OCH3
SEM	2-Trimethylsilylethoxy-methoxy	Me Me Me Si O Ss ⁵
<u>SMEAH</u>	Sodium Bis(2- methoxyethoxy)aluminum Hydride	OCH ₂ CH ₂ OMe Na H -AI - OCH ₂ CH ₂ OMe
<u>TBAF</u>	Tetrabutylammonium fluoride	Bu Bu−N Bu Bu Bu
TBDPS	tert-Butyldiphenylsilyl	Ph t-Bu—Si— Ph
<u>TBHP</u>	t-Butyl hydroperoxide	Me OH
TBS TBDMS	tert-Butyldimethylsilyl	Me t-Bu—Si—ξ Me
TEA	Triethylamine	Et Et - N: Et
TEBA TEBAC	Benzyltriethylammonium chloride	Et, ⊕ N-Et Cl
<u>TEMPO</u>	2,2,6,6-Tetramethylpiperidin-1-oxyl	Me N Me

Acronyms and Abb	reviations	XV
TES	Triethylsilyl	Et Et-Si
Tf	Triflate	O S - CF ₃
THF	Tetrahydrofuran	$\langle \tilde{\rangle}$
ТНР	Tetrahydropyranyl	\$ CO
TIPS	Triisopropylsilyl	i-Pr i-Pr −Si −ξ i-Pr′
TMEDA	N,N,N',N'- Tetramethylethylenediamine	Me -N N - Me I I Me Me
<u>TPAP</u>	Tetra-n-Propylammonium Perruthenate	Pr ₄ N ⁺ RuO ₄ ⁻
ТРР	Triphenyl phosphine	Ph Ph P Ph Ph
TMS	Trimethylsilyl	Me Me-Si\$ Me
TMSOTf	Trimethylsilyltrifluoro- methanesulfonate	TMS O SO ₂ CF ₃
TPS	Triphenylsilyl	Ph Ph-Si-\$ Ph'
Trt	Trityl	Ph Ph
Ts- Tos-	Tosyl p-toluenesulfonyl	₹ S Me



NAME REACTIONS

In this section we provide a summary of Name Reactions. The format is slightly modified from our previous book, but maintains the essential features:

Reaction:

Summary reaction.

Proposed Mechanism:

Currently accepted mechanisms. We have tried to be complete in showing steps, intermediates and the necessary curly arrow notations.

Notes:

Additional comments and references from key sources.

Examples:

Current examples if possible.

When a term is underlined, (for example, <u>Aldol Condensation</u>) it means that the concept can be found under an independent heading in the book.

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Some references are provided with a SciFinder (American Chemical Society) number so that one can access the abstract if needed.

Acetoacetic Ester Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

The methylene protons are the most acidic by influence from both carbonyls.

X can be Cl, Br, I, OTs, etc.

1. Base
$$OEt$$
 OEt OE

Alkylation can be done a second time (with a different R) if desired.

Ester hydrolysis/saponification, then with heat, the β -keto acid decarboxylates to give an enol.

keto-enol tautomerism

Notes:

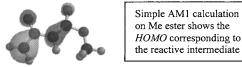
Acetoacetic Ester can be prepared by the condensation of ethyl acetate, called the *Acetoacetic Ester Condensation Reaction*, a *Claisen Condensation*:

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Weiler Modification: By using very strong bases, a dianion can be formed that will preferentially alkylate at the methyl group:

Me OEt
$$\frac{\text{NaH, } n\text{-BuLi}}{\text{THF, } 30 \text{ min}} \left[\begin{array}{c} O \bigcirc O \\ H_2C \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Br}} OEt$$

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Acyloin Condensation

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
O & \frac{1. \text{ Na} / \text{Aprotic Solv.}}{\text{No O}_2} & O \\
O & & \\
R & & \\
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

An electron adds to the LUMO of the ester.

Two of these radical anions react.

Alkoxide leaves to give a 1,2 dione that further reacts with electrons in solution.

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The Rühlmann modification (Bouveault-Blanc Condensation or Rühlmann Reaction) traps the dienolate as a TMS derivative. This protocol generally results in improved yields.

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A. N. Blanchard, D. J. Burnell, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 4779

Acyloin Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$R \xrightarrow{O} R'$$
 acid or base $R' \xrightarrow{OH} R''$

Proposed Mechanism:

In acid:

In base:

Examples:

P. A. Bates, E. J. Ditzel, M. P. Hartshorn, H. T. Ing, K. E. Richards, W. T. Robinson, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1981, 22, 2325

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Adamantane Rearrangement (Schleyer Adamantization)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

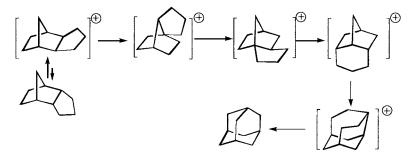
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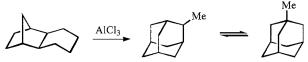
M. A. McKervey, Tetrahedron 1980, 36, 971 provides a useful review:

This reaction consists of a series of deprotonations, protonations, hydride transfers and *Wagner-Meerwein rearrangements*. There are postulated to be 2897 possible routes between starting material and product! A few of the steps have been tested experimentally; most of the data are computational. The following structural features seem to be supported:



Notes:

Tricyclic molecules having 10 carbon atoms are converted to adamantane with Lewis acids. Additional carbon atoms become alkyl appendages:



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Examples:

H. W. Whitlock, Jr., M. W. Siefken, Journal of the American Chemical Society $1968, \underline{90}, 4929$

Verification of the first steps:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & 98-100\% \text{ HNO}_3 \\
\hline
 & 65\%
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & O_2N-O \\
\hline
 & HNO_3 \\
\hline
 & O_2N-O \\
\hline
 & O$$

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Aldehyde Syntheses

Arens-van Dorp Cinnamaldehyde Synthesis

Bodroux-Chichibabin Aldehyde Synthesis

Bouveault Aldehyde Synthesis

DMSO-based Oxidations

Albright-Goldman Oxidation / Albright-Goldman Reagent

Corey-Kim Oxidation / Corey-Kim Reagent

$$Me \xrightarrow{S} + Cl - N \xrightarrow{Me} Me \xrightarrow{Me} O$$

$$NCS$$

$$Me \oplus NCS$$

$$Me \oplus NCS$$

N-ChloroSuccinimide

$$R \overset{X}{\underset{H}{\longleftarrow}} H \overset{\text{$I.$ AgTs}}{\underset{3.\text{ NEt}_3, \text{ NaHCO}_3}{\longleftarrow}} \overset{O}{\underset{R}{\longleftarrow}} H$$

X = I, Br, OTs

Onodera Oxidation

Pfitzner-Moffatt Oxidation

$$\underset{H}{\overset{O}{\longmapsto}} \overset{H}{\underset{H}{\overset{DCC, HX}{\longrightarrow}}} \underset{R}{\overset{O}{\longmapsto}} \underset{H}{\overset{O}{\longmapsto}}$$

also for ketones

Swern Oxidation

also for ketones

Dess-Martin Oxidation

also for ketones

Duff Reaction

Étard Reaction

Fukuyama Reduction

$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ R \\ \hline \\ S-R' \\ \hline \\ Pd(0) \\ \hline \\ Pd-S-R' \\ \hline \\ Pd-H \\ \hline \\ Et_3SiH \\ \hline \\ Et_3S-SR' \\ \hline \end{array}$$

M. Kimura, M. Seki, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 3219

Ganem Oxidation

Gattermann Reaction (Gatterman Aldehyde Synthesis) / Gattermann Reagent

$$\frac{G}{H_2O}$$
 $\frac{Zn(CN)_2, HCl}{H_2O}$

G = alkyl, OR

Gatterman-Koch Reaction (see under Gatterman Reaction)

There seems to be agreement that the product-forming part of the mechanism is:

However, the details of the formation of the formyl cation seem to be less assured.

See S. Raugei, M. L. Klein, *Journal of Physical Chemistry B*, **2001**, <u>105</u>, 8213 for pertinent references to experiment, and their computational study of the formyl cation.

Grundmann Aldehyde Synthesis

$$\longrightarrow$$
 R H + CO + Pb(OAc)₂

Hass-Bender Reaction

$$Ar$$
 X Me Me Ar H

Kröhnke Aldehyde Synthesis

$$\begin{array}{c} X \\ R \\ H \\ H \end{array}$$

$$X \stackrel{\bigoplus}{\bigoplus} N \\ H \\ \longrightarrow N \\ R \\ \longrightarrow H \\ \longrightarrow N \\ \longrightarrow$$

McFadyen-Stevens Aldehyde Synthesis

R = Ar or alkyl with no α -protons

Meyers Aldehyde Synthesis / Meyers Reagents

Polonovski Reaction

Reimer-Tiemann Reaction

Reissert Reaction (Grosheintz-Fischer-Reissert Aldehyde Synthesis)

$$\begin{array}{c} H^{\oplus} \\ H^{\oplus} \\$$

Rosenmund Reduction

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & H_2 \\
R & Cl & Pd \cdot BaSO_4
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
Pd \cdot BaSO_4
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & HCl
\end{array}$$

Sommelet Reaction

$$X + N \longrightarrow \frac{\Delta}{H_2O}$$

Sonn-Muller Method

Stephen Reduction (Stephen Aldehyde Synthesis)

$$\longrightarrow$$
 $\underset{R}{\overset{O}{\longrightarrow}}$

Vilsmeier-Haack Reaction

Wacker Oxidation Reaction

Alder-Rickert Reaction

The Reaction:

$$H \xrightarrow{H} G \xrightarrow{\Delta} H \xrightarrow{H} H + O \xrightarrow{G} G$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$H \xrightarrow{H} G = G \xrightarrow{G} G \xrightarrow{A} H \xrightarrow{H} H + O \xrightarrow{G} G$$

This reaction is a reverse *Diels-Alder Reaction*. The orbital considerations controlling the "backward: reaction are the same as the "forward" reaction.

Notes:

It seems accepted that almost any "retro-Diels-Alder" reaction can be included in the grouping, "Alder-Rickert Reaction".

Examples:

J. W. Patterson, Tetrahedron 1993, 49, 4789

R. N Warrener, J.-M. Wang, K. D. V. Weerasuria, R. A. Russell, Tetrahedron Letters 1990, 31, 7069

D. W. Landry, Tetrahedron 1983, 39, 2761

D. Schomburg, M. Thielmann, E. Winterfeldt, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 1705

M. E. Jung, L. J. Street, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1984, 106, 8327

Aldol Type Reactions

The Reaction:

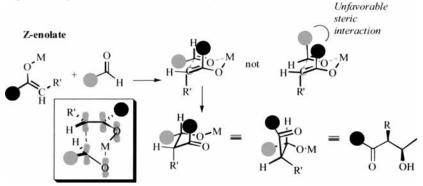
This reaction has become an extremely important tool in the reaction toolbox of organic chemists. Because of the variety of approaches to the aldol products, this summary section is prepared.

Most synthetically useful approaches use a preformed enolate as one of the reactants.

With a weaker base and / or slow addition of base to the ketone, an equilibrium will be established and a "thermodynamic enolate" will predominate.

The most useful approach is when the enolate can be trapped and used in a configurationally stable form.

A generic analysis of enolate addition to an aldehyde:



A similar exercise can be provided for the E-enolate.

Zimmerman-Traxler model

An analysis of the steric effects in a chair-transition state for the reaction:

A *directed aldol reaction* requires that one partner provides a preformed enolate (or chemically equivalent reactive species) and is then added to the second carbonyl-containing molecule.

When one of the reactants is chiral, asymmetric induction can provide enantioselective products:

Cram's Rule and Related Views on Asymmetric Induction

This rule was developed to rationalize the steric course of addition to carbonyl compounds.¹ The conformations of the molecules are shown in their *Newman structures*, and a preferred conformation is selected in which the *largest group*, L, is situated *anti* to the carbonyl oxygen. This conformation assumes a model having a *large* oxygen, sometimes referred to as the "big O" model.² Examination of steric hindrance to nucleophile trajectory determined the major product.³ We might point out, at the start, that Reetz has recently reported that "how" the reaction is carried out; for example "slow" vs. "fast" mixing, can dramatically alter product ratios.⁴

In cases where the alpha-carbon is chiral, attack at the carbonyl carbon introduces a new stereogenic center. The two carbonyl faces are *diastereotopic* and attack at the *re* and *se* faces are different

$$\Longrightarrow_{S}^{L_{N}^{R}}$$

The two faces are diastereotopic

A modification of the *Cram model*, in which the medium sized group, **M**, eclipsed the carbonyl oxygen, was developed by Karabatsos⁵; however, it generally predicted the same product as the *Cram model*. In this model, which assumes two major conformations, the major product is that which is derived from attack at the less hindered side of the more stable conformer.

^{1.} a. See J. D. Morrison, H. S. Mosher, *Asymmetric Organic Reactions*, Prentice-Hall, Englewood Cliffs, 1971, Chapter 3, for a somewhat dated, but excellent account of this concept.

b Cram's first work, (D. J. Cram, F. A. Abd Elhafez, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1952**, 74, 5828) set the stage for intense studies that have spanned 50 years.

^{2.} The original thought included the notion that there was a large steric bulk associated with the oxygen by nature of metal complexing.

^{3.} Application of the *Curtin-Hammett Principle* would suggest that the different ground state conformers have minimal influence on the product composition. It is the difference in activation energies for the two different isomers that controls the reaction, and the diastereomeric transition states would be attained from either ground state conformation.

^{4.} M. T. Reetz, S. Stanchev, H. Haning, Tetrahedron 1992, 48, 6813

a G. J. Karabatsos Journal of the American Chemical Society 1967, 89, 1367;
 b. G. J. Karabatsos, D. J. Fenoglio, Topics in Stereochemistry 1970, 5, 167

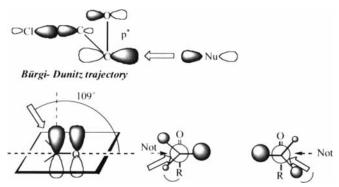
Felkin-Cherest-Anh Rule

Like *Cram's Rule*, the *Felkin-Cherest-Anh model*, developed by Felkin and coworkers⁶, is an attempt to understand and predict the stereochemistry of addition to a carbonyl group. This model requires a "small O" interpretation in which the largest group is oriented *anti* to the attacking nucleophile's trajectory. One should note that the *Felkin-Cherest-Anh model* neglects the interaction of the carbonyl oxygen. In this approach, the *R/S* or *R/M* interactions dominate.

$$L \mapsto \bigcup_{M=0}^{S} \bigcup_{N=0}^{R} L$$

This is the important interaction that must be minimized. Note that in this approach the carbonyl substituent plays an important role.

Calculations in this model are based on an orbital interaction as described below. It should also be noted that the trajectory of delivery of nucleophile to the carbonyl carbon is defined by an angle of about 109°.



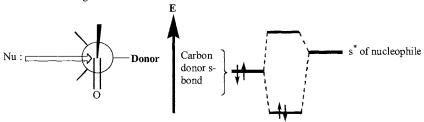
Preferred conformation. Less interaction between the small group and the R-group. We also note that this model "feels" the influence of increasing size of R. We see in this coformer an increased interaction between the medium group and R. Also, there is more interaction with the nucleophile.

This model often leads to the same conclusions obtained from the other models. It does, however, recognize the nonpassive role of the **R**-group in ketones. In this model one would predict an *increase* of stereodifferentiation as the size of **R**-increases. This has been found experimentally.

For aldehydes the transition state model will be:



A useful orbital approach by Cieplak⁷ has suggested that the nucleophile will attack the carbonyl *anti* to the best donor ligand.



Cases for Modification of the Models

Sometimes the Lewis acid that coordinates with the carbonyl oxygen is sufficiently bulky that it seriously influences the stereochemistry of attack. Sometimes these reaction products, which seem opposite of the expected *Cram Rule* analysis, are termed "anti-Cram" products. Compare the "normal" situation with the influence of a sterically bulky Lewis acid:

Dipolar Model

There is evidence to suggest that competing dipole effects will alter the preferred conformation. Thus, for example, halogens will prefer a conformation in which the dipoles are *anti* to one another. This is often described as the *Cornforth model*.⁸ In this model the highly polarized group will take the place of the L-group of the *Cram model*.

7. a. A. S. Cieplak, B. D. Yait, C. R. Johnson, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1989 111, 8447

b. A. S. Cieplak, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1981, 103, 4548

8. J. W. Cornforth, R. H. Cornforth, K. K. Methew, Journal of the Chemical Society 1959, 112

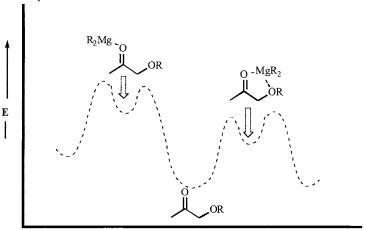
Chelation Control⁹

Neighboring heteroatoms can provide a site for complexing.

Product stereochemistries can be greatly influenced by these chelation control effects. This was first observed by Cram. ¹⁰ There are many controversies about this topic, and the issue remains a topic of investigative interest. ¹¹ Without kinetic data, it has been suggested that it is impossible to distinguish the following two mechanistic types: ¹²

Rate enhancement should be a requirement for chelation control because if chelation is the source of stereoselectivity it necessarily follows that the chelation transition state should be of a lower energy pathway.¹³

These concepts are seen on the energy diagram below. It should be noted that an interesting conclusion from this analysis is that *increased selectivity* is associated with *increased reactivity*. This might be considered to run counter to a number of other analyses of reactivity and selectivity.



- 9. M. T. Reetz, Accounts of Chemical Research 1993, 26, 462
- 10. D. J. Cram, K. R. Kopecky, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1959, 81, 2748
- 11. a. W. C. Still, J. H. McDonald, Tetrahedron Letters, 1984, 1031
 - b. M. T. Reetz, Angewandte Chemie, International Edition in English, 1984, 23, 556
 - c. G. E. Keck, D. E. Abbott, Tetrahedron Letters 1984, 25, 1883
 - d. S. V. Frye, E. L. Eliel, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1988, 110, 484
- 12. J. Laemmle, E. C. Ashby, H. M. Neumann, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1971, 93, 5120
- 13. X. Chen, E. R. Hortelano, E. L. Eliel, S. V. Frye Journal of the American Chemical Society 1992, 114, 1778

The *a priori* prediction of which functional groups will provide complexation are not always obvious. Keck¹⁴ demonstrated some dramatic differences in oxygen chelation resulting from minor differences in substitution.

Stong chelate

No chelate

A potentially useful extension of the *Cram's rule* is the asymmetric induction provided by a remote ester (*Prelog's rule*):

Reactions based on the Aldol Reaction:

Claisen-Schmidt:

Henry Reaction

Knoevenagel Reaction

$$O \stackrel{R}{\longleftarrow} + \underbrace{EWG}_{EWG} \stackrel{H}{\longleftarrow} \underbrace{\stackrel{N-H}{R}}_{EWG} \stackrel{EWG}{\longleftarrow} \stackrel{R}{\longleftarrow}$$

no α protons

a methylene with two electron withdrawing groups

14. G. E. Keck, S. Castellino, Tetrahedron Letters 1987, 28, 281

Aldol Condensation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Acid Catalyzed

If R' = H, dehydration is possible to give the α , β unsaturated ketone.

Dehydration is often irreversible and a driving force.

Notes:

If the starting materials are not the same, the reaction is known as a "mixed" aldol condensation.

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ R \\ R' \\ R'' \\ R''$$

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1218-1213; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 4-10; A. T. Nielsen, W. J. Houlihan, *Organic Reactions* 16 (full volume); T. Mukaiyama, *Organic Reactions*, 28, 3; C. J. Cowden, I. Patterson, *Organic Reactions* 51, 1.

Examples:

M. Haussermann, *Helvetica Chimica Acta* **1951**, <u>34</u>, 1482 (Reported in A. T. Nielsen, W. J. Houlihan, *Organic Reactions* **16**, page 8).

Me
$$\frac{2\% \text{ NaOH}}{\text{EtOH}}$$
 $\frac{O}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{O}{\text{Me}}$

P. M. McCurry, Jr., R. K. Singh, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1974, 39, 2316

E. J. Corey, S. Nozoe, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1965, 87, 5728

M. T. Crimmins, K. Chaudhary, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 775

Me
$$\underbrace{\begin{array}{c} S \\ N \\ Me \end{array}}_{Me}$$
 $\underbrace{\begin{array}{c} Sn(OTf)_2, EtCHO \\ N \\ Et \end{array}}_{N}$ $\underbrace{\begin{array}{c} OH \\ O \\ Me \end{array}}_{Me}$ $\underbrace{\begin{array}{c} OH \\ Me \end{array}}_{Me}$ $\underbrace{\begin{array}{c} OH \\ Me \end{array}}_{Me}$ $\underbrace{\begin{array}{c} OH \\ Me \end{array}}_{Me}$

D. Zuev, L. A. Paquette, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 679

$$H \xrightarrow{O} H + H \xrightarrow{O} Me \xrightarrow{1. \text{ L-Proline (cat.)}} H \xrightarrow{\tilde{M}e} Me$$

$$61\%$$

P. M. Pihko, A. Erkkila, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 7607

Algar-Flynn-Oyamada Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ &$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$H_2O_2 + HO^{\bigcirc} \longrightarrow {}^{\bigcirc}OOH + H_2O$$
 $H_2O_2 + HO^{\bigcirc} \longrightarrow {}^{\bigcirc}OOH + H_2O$

Enone Epoxidation Route:

T. M. Gormley, W. I. O'Sullivan, *Tetrahedron* **1973**, <u>29</u>, 369 See: M. Bennett, A. J. Burke, W. I. O'Sullivan, *Tetrahedron* **1996**, <u>52</u>, 7178 for a detailed analysis of the role of the epoxide intermediate.

Notes:

Sometimes an "arone" can be formed.

Auwers Synthesis

The Rasoda Reaction:

M. G. Marathey, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1955, 20, 563

Examples:

K. B. Raut, S. H. Wender, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1960, 25, 50

J. R. Dharia, K. F. Johnson, J. B. Schlenof, Macromolecules 1994, 27, 5167

Alkyne Coupling

The Reaction:

$$2 R \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow R$$

General Discussion:

See P. Siemsen, R. C. Livingston, F. Diederich, Angewandte Chemie International Edition in English 2000, 39, 2632 and K. Sonogashira, Comprehensive Organic Synthesis, Vol 3, Chapter 2.5

The earliest of the alkyne coupling reactions is that of Glaser, who had noted:

$$Ph \longrightarrow Cu \xrightarrow{O_2} Ph \longrightarrow Ph$$

In much of the early work, the copper acetylides were prepared from the reaction of a terminal alkyne with Cu(I) salts.

$$Ph \longrightarrow H \xrightarrow{CuX} Ph \longrightarrow Cu$$

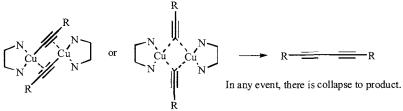
The reaction was of limited use due to the explosive nature of copper acetylides.

In the *Hay modification* of the *Glaser reaction*, it was noted that the reaction could be modified to avoid isolation of the acetylide:

$$R = -H \quad \frac{\text{CuX, TMEDA (catalytic)}}{\text{Solvent and O}_2} \quad R = -R$$

A. S. Hay, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1962, 27, 3320

In this process the TMEDA-Cu complex readily binds to the alkyne. Various interpretations of the binding are possible:



There is evidence that the role of oxidant is to convert Cu(I) to Cu(II). It may be:

$$R \xrightarrow{Cu(I)} R \xrightarrow{\square} H \xrightarrow{Base} R \xrightarrow{Cu} Cu$$

$$R \xrightarrow{Cu(I)} R \xrightarrow{Cu} R \xrightarrow{R} R$$

An older view of these reactions involved formation of a radical:

This would require that hetero-coupling of two different alkynes give a statistical product mix. This is not observed.

A computational study of the <u>Glaser reaction</u> provides additional mechanistic insight. L. Fomina, B. Vazquez, E. Tkatchouk, S. Fomine, <u>Tetrahedron 2002</u>, <u>58</u>, 6741

Selected intermediates are shown:

There is much to learn about the details of these reactions. In different sections the following reactions will be described:

Allan-Robinson Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The rate determining step is dependent on both the concentration of enolacetate and acetate ion. T. Szell, D. M. Zorandy, K. Menyharth, *Tetrahedron* 1969, <u>25</u>, 715

In the related *Kostanecki Reaction*, the same reagents give a different product. In that case, the attacking species is the phenol oxygen, rather than the enol tautomer of the ketone.

Examples:

T. Szell, Journal of the Chemical Society, \underline{C} , 1967, 2041 (AN 1968:2779)

C. Riva, C. De Toma, L. Donadel, C. Boi, R. Pennini, G. Motta, A. Leosardi, Synthesis 1997, 195

No yield given, product synthesis to confirm structure of an isolated compound.

G. Berti, O. Liv, D. Segnini, I. Cavero, Tetrahedron 1967, 23, 2295

Amine Preparations

See R. E. Gawley, Organic Reactions 1988, 35, 1

Delépine Reaction

$$H \xrightarrow{X} H \xrightarrow{H} H \xrightarrow{N} N \xrightarrow{N} N \xrightarrow{HCl} H \xrightarrow{NH_2} H$$

Fischer-Hepp and Related Rearrangements

Fischer-Hepp Rearrangement

HCl is the preferred acid.

Orton Rearrangement

Hofmann-Martius Rearrangement

$$H_N$$
. Me H_N . H H_N H_N . H H_N

Reilly-Hickinbottom Rearrangement

Similar to *Hoffmann-Martius Rearrangement* except that it uses Lewis acids and the amine rather than protic acid and the amine salt.

H. CH₃ Cl-M Cl-M Cl-M H
$$MCl_2$$

$$M = Co, Cd, Zn$$

$$Cl-M N H$$

$$+ Me-Cl$$

Forster Reaction (Forster-Decker Method)

$$\begin{array}{c} H \longrightarrow Ar \\ R \stackrel{N} \oplus H \end{array} \stackrel{+}{\longrightarrow} OH \stackrel{-H_2O}{\longrightarrow} \begin{array}{c} H \longrightarrow Ar \\ R \stackrel{N} \longrightarrow R' - Cl \end{array} \stackrel{H}{\longrightarrow} \begin{array}{c} Ar \\ R \stackrel{N} \oplus R' \end{array}$$

Fukuyama Amine Synthesis

via:

$$SO_2 + \underset{R'}{\overset{R}{\bigvee}} OOOH$$
 $SO_2 + \underset{NO_2}{\overset{R}{\bigvee}} OOOH$
 $SO_2 + \underset{NO_2}{\overset{R}{\bigvee}} OOOH$
 $SO_2 + \underset{NO_2}{\overset{R}{\bigvee}} OOOH$

Gabriel Synthesis

$$N-K$$
 $\frac{1. RX}{2. \text{ hydrolysis}}$ $H \stackrel{N-}{R} H + \bigcirc OH$

via:

Gabriel-Colman Rearrangement

Gabriel-Cromwell Reaction

Gabriel (-Marckwald) Ethylenimine Method

Schweizer Allyl Amine Synthesis

A combination of Gabriel and Wittig chemistry

via:

Via.

O

NH

Base

N

PR3

O

H

R

O

PR3

O

R

PR3

O

H

R

O

H

N

R

O

R

Hydrolysis

$$H_2N$$

R

Voight Amination / Reaction

$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ R \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ R' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} P_2O_5 \\ \hline \\ 200^{\circ}C \end{array} \end{array} \left[\begin{array}{c} H \\ N \\ R' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OH \\ R' \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{c} H \\ OH \\ R' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ OH \\ R' \end{array} + H_2O \end{array} \right]$$

Andersen Sulfoxide Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

K. K. Andersen, Tetrahedron Letters 1962, 3, 93

Notes:

Other chiral auxiliaries have been used besides menthol.

Sulfoxide Designations:

Examples:

R = n-Bu: yield = 61%, 83% ee

 $R = Ph-CH_2$: yield = 78%, 91% ee

R. R. Strickler, A. L. Schwan, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1999, 10, 4065

9:1 diastereoselectivity

H. Kosugi, O. Kanno, H. Uda, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1994, 5, 1139

O-S-O-Men
$$\xrightarrow{MeMgI}$$
 O-S-C₆H₄I \xrightarrow{Me} \xrightarrow

P. Bickart, M. Axelrod, J. Jacobs, K. Mislow, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1967, 89, 697

Appel Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R \xrightarrow{OH} \frac{Ph_3P}{CX_4} \qquad R \xrightarrow{X} + Ph \xrightarrow{P} Ph + HCX_3$$

$$X = Cl \text{ or Br}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$Ph_{3}P: + X \xrightarrow{X} X \longrightarrow Ph \xrightarrow{Ph} P - X + CX_{3}$$

$$Ph \xrightarrow{Ph} P - X + CX_$$

Notes:

There are two processes called the *Appel Reaction*. Although similar, the second is concerned with reactions of phosphorous:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ &$$

With inversion of configuration around P..

J. Baraniak, W. J. Stec, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 4379

See also: J. Beres, W. G. Bentrude, L. Parkanji, A. Kalman, A. E. Sopchik, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1985, 50, 1271

Examples:

D. Seebach, A. Pichota, A. K. Beck, A. B. Pinkerton, T. Litz, J. Karjalainen, V. Gramlich, *Organic Letters* 1999, 1, 55

M. Dubber, T. K. Lindhorst, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 4019

ODMT (ODMTr) is the 4,4'-dimethoxytrityl group, a common –OH protecting group for the carbohydrate moieties in syntheses of polynucleotides.

4,4'-dimethoxytrityl chloride [40615-36-9]

B. Nawrot, O. Michalak, M. Nowak, A. Okruszek, M. Dera, W. J. Stee, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2002**, 43, 5397

Arbuzov Reaction (Michaelis-Arbuzov Reaction)

The Reaction:

EtO
$$\xrightarrow{C}$$
 \xrightarrow{C} \xrightarrow{C} \xrightarrow{C} \xrightarrow{C} \xrightarrow{C} \xrightarrow{C} \xrightarrow{C} \xrightarrow{C} \xrightarrow{C}

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, p. 12.; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1234.

The Photo-Arbuzov Reaction:

Michaelis-Becker Reaction (Michaelis Reaction)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$EtO \xrightarrow{P} H \xrightarrow{NaH} H_2(g) + EtO \xrightarrow{P} Na \xrightarrow{R} R \xrightarrow{R} EtO \xrightarrow{P} R + NaX$$

Kabachnik-Fields Reaction

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ R \\ H \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ + R' - NH_2 \\ + H \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ H - P \\ O \\ R \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ + R' - NH_2 \\ O \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ + R' - NH_2 \\ O \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ - P \\ - O \\ - O \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ - P \\ - O \\ - O \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ - P \\ - O \\ - O \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ - P \\ - O \\ - O \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ - P \\ - O \\ - O \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ - P \\ - O \\ - O \\ - O \\ \end{array}$$

H.-J. Cristan, A. Herve, D. Virieux, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 877

Examples:

M. S. Landis, N. J. Turro, W. Bhanthumnavin, W. G. Bentrude, *Journal of Organometallic Chemistry* **2002**, <u>646</u>, 239

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P.-Y. Renard, P. Vayron, C. Mioskowski, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1661

$$MeO_2S$$
 S CI $P(OEt)_3$ MeO_2S S $P-OEt$ OEt

S.-S Chou, D.-J. Sun, J.-Y. Huang, P.-K. Yang, H.-C. Lin, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 7279

Me
$$\frac{P(OEt)_3}{94\%}$$
 Me $\frac{P(OEt)_3}{Me}$

R. W. Driesen, M. Blouin, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 7202

Me
$$\stackrel{\text{N}}{\underset{\text{Br}}{\longrightarrow}}$$
 OMe $\stackrel{\text{P(CH}_2\text{CF}_3)_3}{\underset{\text{KF, Alumina, MeCN}}{\longleftarrow}}$ $\stackrel{\text{F}_3\text{CH}_2\text{C}}{\underset{\text{Me}}{\longrightarrow}}$ $\stackrel{\text{OMe}}{\underset{\text{Me}}{\longrightarrow}}$ $\stackrel{\text{OMe}}{\underset{\text{Me}}{\longrightarrow}}$

S. Fortin, F. Dupont, P. Deslongchamps, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 5437

Described as a tandem Staudinger-Arbuzov Reaction:

M. M. Sá, G. P. Silveira, A. J. Bortoluzzi, A. Padwa, Tetrahedron 2003, 59, 5441

I. Pergament, M. Srebnik, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 217

H.-P. Guan, Y.-L. Qui, M. B. Ksebati, E. A. Kern, J. Zemlicka, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 6047

Arndt-Eistert Homologation Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Elimination of nitrogen gives a carbene, followed by migration of the R group.

$$\begin{array}{c} H \bigcirc \bigoplus \\ N_2 \bigcirc O \\ R \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Cl \\ H \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \bigcirc \bigoplus \\ N_2 \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Cl \\ H \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \bigcirc \bigoplus \\ N_2 \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Cl \\ H \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \bigcirc \bigoplus \\ N_2 \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ R \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ R \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ R \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ R \\ \end{array}$$

Alternatively, R migration and N_2 elimination may be concerted, avoiding the formation of a carbene.

keto-enol tautomerism

Notes:

See: Diazomethane

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1405-1407; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 13-15; W. E. Bachmann, W. S. Struve, *Organic Reactions* 1, 2

The Kowalski Ester Homologation provides a similar conversion (C. Kowalski, M. S. Haque, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1985, 50, 5140)

See also: P. Chen, P. T. W. Cheng, S. H. Spergel, R. Zahler, X. Wang, J. Thottathil, J. C. Barrish, R. P. Polniaszek, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1997, 38, 3175

Nierenstein Reaction

Examples:

T. Hudlicky, J. P. Sheth, Tetrahedron Letters 1979, 29, 2667

J. M. Jimenez, R. M. Ortuno, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1996, 7, 3203

A number of examples to show that this method is more mild than the Arndt-Eistert reaction

D. Gray, C. Concello', T. Gallagher, Journal of Organike Chemistry 2004, 69, 4849

HOOC Me NOMe
$$\frac{1. \text{COCl}_2, \text{DMF}, \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}{2. \text{CH}_2\text{N}_2, \text{Et}_3\text{N}}$$
 $\frac{1. \text{Br}}{3. \text{HBr}}$
 $\frac{1. \text{Br}}{3. \text{Br}}$
 $\frac{1. \text{Br}}{3. \text{Br}}$
 $\frac{1. \text{COCl}_2, \text{DMF}, \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}{3. \text{Br}}$

N. J. Garg, R. Sarpong, B. M. Stoltz, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 13179

R. A. Ancliff, A. T. Russell, A. J. Sanderson Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1997, 8, 3379

Aza-Cope Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$\bigoplus_{N=1}^{R} \qquad \qquad \bigoplus_{N=1}^{R} \qquad \bigoplus_{N=1}^{R} \qquad \qquad \bigoplus_{N=1}^{R} \qquad \bigoplus_{N=1}^{R} \qquad \qquad \bigoplus_{N=1}^{R} \qquad \qquad \bigoplus_{N=1}^{R} \qquad \bigoplus_$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1445.

iminium ion formation

The Azo-Cope Rearrangement:

$$\begin{bmatrix} N_{-N}, R'' & \Delta & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & &$$

Examples:

L. E. Overman, E. J. Jacobsen, R. J. Doedens, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1983, 48, 3393

K. Shishido, K. Hiroya, K. Fukumoto, T. Kametani, Tetrahedron Letters 1986, 27, 1167

H. Ent, H. De Koning, W. N. Speckamp Journal of Organic Chemistry 1986, 51, 1687

M. Bruggemann, A. I. McDonald, L. E. Overman, M. D. Rosen, L. Schwink, J. P. Scott, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2003**, <u>125</u>, 15284

No yield given for this step, catalyzed by tosic acid in benzene.

K. M. Brummond, J. Lu, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 1347

Baeyer-Villiger Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Acid catalyzed:

Base catalyzed:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1417-1418; T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 16-19; C. H. Hassall, Organic Reactions 9, 3; G. R. Krow, Organic Reactions 43, 3.

Migratory Apptitude: $3^{\circ} > 2^{\circ} > Ph-CH_2-> Ph-> 1^{\circ} > Me > H$

Hydrolysis or reduction of the lactone ring provided by reaction with cyclic ketones provides a useful strategy for construction of ring systems:

Y. Chen, J. K. Snyder, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 1477

A. E. Greene, C. Le Drian, P. Crabbe, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1980, 102, 7584

Examples:

Note the retention of stereochemistry after the oxygen insertion. This is a general observation.

N. Haddad, Z. Abramovich, I. Ruhman Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 3521

F. W. J. Demnitz, R. A. Parhael, Synthesis 1996, 11, 1305

B. Voigt, J. Schmidt, G. Adam, Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 1997

G. Magnusson, Tetrahedron Letters 1977, 18, 2713

Baker-Venkataraman Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

See: T. Szell, G. Balaspiri, T. Balaspiri, Tetrahedron 1969, 25, 707

Notes:

These β -diketones are useful intermediates for the synthesis of flavones and chromones:

$$R = Ph$$
: Flavone; $R = Me$: Chromone

V. K. Ahluwalia, R. K. Parashar, Organic Reaction Mechanisms, Alpha Science International Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, pp. 277-278

Examples:

A. Nishinaga, H. Ando, K. Maruyama, T. Mashino, Synthesis 1992, 839 T. S. Wheeler, Organic Syntheses, CV4, 478

A ring closure that is often associated with the reaction is called the Baker-Venkataraman Reaction.

N. Thasana, S. Ruchirawat, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 4515

S. J. Cutler, F. M. El-Kabbani, C. Keane, S. L. Fisher-Shore, C. D. Blanton, *Heterocycles* 1990, <u>31</u>, 651 (AN 1990:552089)

P. F. Devitt, A. Timoney, M. A. Vickars, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1961, 26, 4941

A. V. Kalinin, A. J. M. da Silva, C. C. Lopes, R. S. C. Lopes, V. Snieckus Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 4995

Balz-Schiemann Reaction (Schiemann Reaction)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

OH
$$CI \stackrel{\bigcirc}{\longrightarrow} N$$
 $M = Na, H, NH_4$ $MBF_4 (aq.), cold$

$$\begin{array}{c}
BF_4 \oplus N \\
\hline
N \\
\hline
2. \Delta
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
1. \text{ dry ppt.} \\
\hline
2. \Delta
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
N_2 (g) + \\
\hline
F - B - F \\
\hline
F
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
F \\
F
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
F \\
F
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
F \\
F
\end{array}$$
salt precipitates

sait precipitate

Notes:

The original work:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & HONO \\
\hline
 & BF_4
\end{array}$$

G. Balz, G. Schiemann, Berichte der Deutschen Chemischen Gesellschaft 1927, 60, 1186

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 237-238; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 875; A. Roe, *Organic Reactions* 5, 4

Reaction is often incorporated into the Sandmeyer Reactions series,

Procedural improvement to avoid isolation of the (toxic) intermediate: D. J. Milner, P. G. McMunn, J. S. Moilliet, *Journal of Fluorine Chemistry* **1992**, <u>58</u>, 317 and D. J. Milner, *Journal of Fluorine Chemistry* **1991**, 54, 382

Reaction improvement by using ionic liquid salts:

K. K. Laali, V. J. Gettwert, Journal of Fluorine Chemistry 2001, 107, 31

Examples:

NH₂ NaNO₂, HCl
$$\frac{\text{NaNO}_2, \text{HCl}}{\text{HPF}_6}$$
 $\frac{\text{F}}{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{NaNO}_2, \text{HCl}}{\text{HPF}_6}$ $\frac{\text{F}}{\text{S}}$ $\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{NaNO}_2, \text{HCl}}{\text{HPF}_6}$ $\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}{\text{Me}}$

A. Kiryanov, A. Seed, P. Sampson, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 8797

A modified Balz-Schiemann Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
OH & NaNO_2 \\
NH_2 & F-B \\
OH \\
fluoroboric acid \\
63%
\end{array}$$

F. Dolle, L. Dolci, H. Valette, F. Hinnen, F. Vaufrey, H. Guenther, C. Fuseau, C. Coulon, M. Buttalender, C. Crouzel *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* **1999**, <u>42</u>, 2251

M. Argentini, C. Wiese, R. Weinreich, Journal of Fluorine Chemistry 1994, 68, 141

H. Hart, J. F. Janssen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1970, 35, 3637

Bamberger Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

See discussion in: N. Haga, Y. Endo, K.-i. Kataoka, K. Yamaguchi, K. Shudo, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1992, 114, 9795

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 878; V. K. Ahluwalia, R. K. Parashar, *Organic Reaction Mechanisms*, Alpha Science International Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, p. 449

By addition of azide ion to the reaction, the intermediate can be competitively trapped:

$$\bigoplus_{N_3} \bigcap_{N_3} \bigcap_{N$$

J. C. Fishbein, R. A. McClelland, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1987, 109, 2824

N. Haga, Y. Endo, K.-i. Kataoka, K. Yamaguchi, K. Shudo, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1992, <u>114</u>, 9795

Examples:

J. C. Jardy, M. Venet, Tetrahedron Letters 1982, 23, 1255

G. G. Barclay, J. P. Candlin, W. Lawrie, P. L. Paulson, Journal of Chemical Research Synopses 1992, 245

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & HOAc, H_2SO_4 \\ \hline NH & & H_2O, Et_2O \\ OH & & 58-63\% \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} & HO & Cl \\ \hline NH_2 & & --- \\ \hline OH & & & \\ \end{array}$$

R. E. Harman, Organic Syntheses CV4, 148

Bamford-Stevens Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1335; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 19-22; R. H. Shapiro, *Organic Reactions* 23, 3

In the related <u>Shapiro reaction</u>, two equivalents of an alkyl lithium are used and the less substituted alkene is formed.

Bamford-Stevens

Examples:

P. A. Grieco, T. Oguri, C.-L. J. Wang, E. Williams, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1977, 42, 4113

C. Marchioro, G. Pentassuglia, A. Perboni, D. Donati, Journal of the Chemical Society Perkin Transactions 1 1997, 463

S. J Hecker, C. H. Heathcock, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1986, 108, 4586

A general method for the homologation of aldehydes to benzylic ketones makes use of the *Bamford-Stevens* approach, via intermediate aryldiazomethanes:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ \hline Me & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ \hline & &$$

S. R. Angle, M. L. Neitzel, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 6458

Barbier (Coupling) Reaction

The Reaction:

O

$$R$$
 $+$
 Mg^0
 $+$
 H_3C-I
 $\xrightarrow{\text{ether}}$
 R
 R'
 CH_3
 OH
 R
 CH_3

Proposed Mechanism:

Resembles an internal Grignard reaction:

$$MgX$$
 Mg MgX MgX

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1205

This reaction was used before it was noted that adding the halide to magnesium prior to the addition the carbonyl gave a better reaction. See the *Grignard Reaction*.

Other metals may be used.

A variety of reactions of a carbonyl and an organohalogen compound are classified as *Barbier and Barbier-type*.

Examples:

W. Zhang, P. Dowd, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 2095

C. A. Molander, J. B. Etter, L. S. Harring, P.-J. Thorel, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1991, 113, 3889

For a review of diiodosamarium chemistry (including *Barbier Reactions*) see: H. Kagan, *Tetrahedron* **2003**, <u>59</u>, 10351

Mechanistically:

$$R-I$$
 $R-I$
 $R-I$

C. C. K. Keh, C. Wei, C.-J, Li, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 4062

J. Shin, O. Gerasimov, D. H. Thompson, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 6503

 $\begin{array}{lll} X=O,\,Y=S & 68\% \mbox{ (cis/trans}=95/5) & X=S,\,Y=S & 72\% \mbox{ (cis/trans}=95/5) \\ X=O,\,Y=O & 71\% \mbox{ (cis/trans}=56/44) & X=S,\,Y=O & 43\% \mbox{ (cis/trans}=52/48) \\ \end{array}$

A. S.-Y. Lee, Y.-T. Chang, S.-H. Wang, S.-F. Chu, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 8489

Barbier-Wieland Degradation (Barbier-Locquin Degradation)

The Reaction:

$$R \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} O \\ OH \end{array}}_{OH} \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} 1. \text{ EtOH, H} \stackrel{\bigoplus}{\bigoplus} \\ 2. \text{ excess Ph-MgX} \\ \hline 3. \text{ Ac}_2O \text{ or } \Delta \text{ or H} \stackrel{\bigoplus}{\bigoplus} \\ 4. \text{ CrO}_3 \text{ or NaIO}_4\text{-RuO}_4 \end{array}}_{Ph} R \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} OH \\ Ph \end{array}}_{Ph} + \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} O \\ Ph \end{array}}_{Ph}$$

A procedure for decreasing a chain length by one carbon.

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1526.

A variation of this procedure, the Meystre-Miescher-Wettstein Degradation (Miescher Degradation) removes three carbons from the chain:

Gallagher-Hollander Degradation

R COOH
$$\frac{SOCl_2}{R}$$
 R $\frac{Cl}{O}$ $\frac{CH_2N_2}{O}$ R $\frac{CH_2N_2}{O}$ $\frac{Zn}{HOAc}$ R $\frac{CH_3}{O}$ $\frac{CH_3}{O}$ $\frac{CH_3}{O}$ $\frac{CrO_3}{O}$ $\frac{$

Krafft Degradation

Bartoli Indole Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$\bigcap_{G} NO_{2} + 3 \bigcap_{MgBr} \bigoplus_{G} NO_{2}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\bigoplus_{G} \bigoplus_{H} \bigoplus_{H} \bigoplus_{G} \bigoplus_{G} \bigoplus_{H} \bigoplus_{G} \bigoplus_{G} \bigoplus_{H} \bigoplus_{G} \bigoplus_{G} \bigoplus_{H} \bigoplus_{G} \bigoplus_{$$

G. Bartoli, G. Palmieri, M. Bosco, R. Dalpozzo, Tetrahedron Letters 1989, 30, 2129;

G. Bartoli, M. Bosco, R. Dalpozzo, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 115

The reaction works only with the ortho position of the nitrobenzene occupied.

Examples:

G. Bartoli, G. Palmieri, M. Bosco, R. Dalpozzo, Tetrahedron Letters 1989, 30, 2129

A. Dobbs, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 638

$$Me$$
 $MgBr$ MeO_2C Me NO_2 Me NH Me NH

K. Knepper, S. Brase, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 2829

Barton Decarboxylation

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & O \\ \hline & & & \\ Na & & O \\ \hline & & & \\ Na & & O \\ \hline & & & \\$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\frac{NC}{N=N} \underbrace{NC} \underbrace{NC}$$

AIBN = Azo-bis-isobutyronitrile

The decarboxylation step:

$$\begin{array}{c}
NC \\
H = Sn(n-Bu)_3
\end{array}$$
 $\begin{array}{c}
NC \\
H = Sn(n-Bu)_3
\end{array}$
 $\begin{array}{c}
NC \\
H = Sn(n-Bu)_3
\end{array}$

Notes:

Starting material preparation:

Rather than direct reaction of the the acid chloride with oxygen, the following takes place:

D. Crich Aldrichimica Acta 1987, 20, 35

Examples:

J. T. Starr, G. Koch, E. M. Carreira, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 8793

D. H. R. Barton, Y. Herve, P. Potier, J. Thierry, Tetrahedron, 1988, 44, 5479

S. F. Martin, K. X. Chen, C. T. Eary, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 79

E. Bacque, F. Pautrat, S. Z. Zand, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 325

Barton Reaction (Barton Nitrite Photolysis Reaction)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c} R \stackrel{H}{\downarrow} \stackrel{H}{$$

Notes:

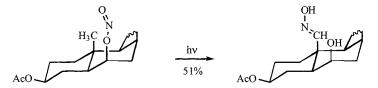
Hydrolysis mechanism

This reaction is a useful method for functionalizing a remote position (the δ -position).

Also by Barton is the

Barton-Kellogg Reaction (Barton Olefin Synthesis)

Examples:



D. H. R. Barton, I. M. Beaton, L. E. Geller, M. M. Pechet, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1960**, <u>82</u>, 2640

P. D. Hobbs, P. D. Magnus Journal of the American Chemical Society ${\bf 1976}, {\bf \underline{98}}, {\bf 4594}$

Barton-McCombie Reaction (Barton-Deoxygenation)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\xrightarrow{\text{NC}}
\xrightarrow{\text{N}}
\xrightarrow{\text{NC}}
\xrightarrow{\text{CN}}
\xrightarrow{\text{CN}}
\xrightarrow{\text{A or hv}}
\xrightarrow{\text{NC}}
\xrightarrow{\text{NC}}
\xrightarrow{\text{NC}}
\xrightarrow{\text{NC}}
\xrightarrow{\text{NC}}
\xrightarrow{\text{CN}}$$

AIBN = Azo-bis-isobutyronitrile

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 527.

For a discussion of mechanism: D. Crich, Tetrahedron Letters 1988, 29, 5805

Depending on the substrate, different thiocarbonyl compounds have been used:

R O H tertiary alcohols with thioformates

Examples:

G. L. Lange, C. Gottardo, Tetrahedron Letters 1994, 35, 8513

M. T. Crimmins, J. M. Pace, P. G. Nantermet, A. S. Kim-Meade, J. B. Thomas, S. H. Watterson, A. S. Wagman, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1999, 121, 10249

J. R. Williams, D. Chai, J. D. Bloxton, II, H. Gong, W. R. Solvibile, Tetrahedron 2003, 59, 3183

Barton-Zard Pyrrole Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$RO_{2C}$$
 $N \ge C$ + R' NO_{2} NO_{2} NO_{2} NO_{2} NO_{2} NO_{2} NO_{2} NO_{2} NO_{2} NO_{2}

D. H. R. Barton, S. Z. Zard, Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications 1985, 1098 D. H. R. Barton, J. Kervagoret, S. Zard, Tetrahedron 1990, 46, 7587

Proposed Mechanism:

D. H. R. Barton, J. Kervagoret, S. Zard, Tetrahedron 1990, 46, 7587

Notes:

One possible starting material preparation: A $\underline{\textit{Henry Reaction}}$ followed by trapping with Ac₂O and elimination of the resultant acetate.

Examples:

S. Chayer, L. Jaquinod, K. M. Smith, M. G. H. Vicente Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 7759

$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ Ph-N \\ O \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} C \\ N \\ CO_2 t\text{-Bu} \end{array} \xrightarrow{t\text{-BuOK}} \begin{array}{c} O \\ Ph-N \\ O \end{array} \begin{array}{c} NH \\ CO_2 t\text{-Bu} \end{array}$$

part of a 7 step procedure of overall 32% yield

D. Lee, T. M. Swager Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 6870

NC Tos
$$C_{\text{NO}_2}$$
 + C_{NO_2} C_{DBU} C_{NO_2} C_{DBU} C_{NO_2} C_{NO_2} C_{NO_2}

J. Bergman, S. Rehn Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 9179

$$X = X$$
 $X = X$
 $X =$

T. D. Lash, B. H. Novak, Y. Lin Tetrahedron Letters 1994, 35, 2493

S. H. Hwang, M. J. Kurth Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 53

A rearranged / abnormal **Barton-Zard Pyrrole** product is observed when the protecting group on nitrogen is phenyl sulfonyl. However, when R = Bn, CO_2Et or 2-pyridyl, the expected pyrrolo[3,4,b]indole is obtained.

E. T. Pelkey, L. Chang, G. W. Gribble *Chemical Communications* **1996**, 1909 E. T. Pelkey, G. W. Gribble *Chemical Communications* **1997**, 1873

Baudisch Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{OH} \\
\frac{\text{NH}_2\text{OH}, \text{H}_2\text{O}_2}{\text{Cu}^{+2}}
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

There is much not known about the details of this reaction.

Notes:

For studies on the mechanism: See K. Maruyama, I. Tanimoto, R. Goto, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1966, 47, 5889

Examples:

R. J. Maleski, M. Kluge, D. Sicker, Synthetic Communications 1995, 25, 2327 (AN 1995-63432)

M. C. Cone, C. R. Melville, J. R. Carney, M. P. Gore, S. J. Gould, Tetrahedron 1995, 51, 3095

Baylis-Hillman Reaction (Morita-Baylis-Hillman)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Attack of the tertiary amine generates the enolate which will attack the aldehyde.

Protonation of the alkoxide and elimination of the amine gives the final product.

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1212; E. Ciganek, *Organic Reactions* **51**, 2; D. Basavaiah, A. J. Rao, T. Satyanarayana, *Chemical Reviews* **2003**, <u>103</u>, 811

The *Rauhut-Currier Reaction* is a similar reaction involving two enone coupling partners:

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

K.-S. Yang, K. Chen, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 729

$$O_{2N}$$
 + CN $Me_{3}N$ $O_{2}N$ $O_{2}N$ CN CN $R5\%$

K,-S. Yang, K. Chen, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 729

I. E. Mariko, P. R. Giles, N. J. Hindley, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 1015

F. Coelho, W. P. Almeida, D. Veronese, C. R. Mateus, E. C. S. Lopes, R. C. Rossi, G. P. C. Silveira, C. H. Pavam, *Tetrahedron* 2002, 58, 7437

Examples for the Rauhut-Currier Reaction:

D. J. Mergott, S. A. Frank, W. R. Roush, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 3157

G. Jenner, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 3091

Béchamp Reduction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Ar-NO₂ + 6e
$$^{\bigcirc}$$
 + 6 H $^{\oplus}$ Ar-NH₂ + 2 H₂O

NO₂

NH₂

2 Fe +3
2 H₂O

The reaction is a metal-catalyzed oxidation-reduction process.

Notes:

C. S. Hamilton, J. F. Morgan, Organic Reactions 2, 10

Other new approaches to the reduction:

1,1'-Dialkyl-4,4-bipyridinium halides (viologens) are useful electron-transfer catalysts.

$$\begin{array}{c} & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\$$

C. Yu, B. Liu, L. Hu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 919

$$\begin{array}{c}
OH \\
NO_2
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
Al-Hg, \quad)))
\\
THF, H_2O
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
OH \\
NH_2
\end{array}$$

R. W. Fitch, F. A. Luzzio, Tetrahedron Letters 1994, 35, 6013

$$R - NO_2 \qquad \frac{\text{In wire, acidic}}{H_2O, \text{ rt, }} \qquad R - NH_2$$
high yields

Y. Se.Cho, B. K. Jun, S. Kim, J. H. Cha, A. N. Pae, H. Y. K., M. C. Ho, S.-Y. Han Bulletin of the Korean Chemical Society 2003, 24, 653 (AN 2003:513428)

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} OH & OH \\ \hline \\ NO_2 & Fe \\ \hline \\ CI & 87\% & CI \\ \end{array}$$

S. Mukhopadhyay, G. K. Gandi, S. B. Chandalia, Organic Process Research & Development 1999, 3, 201

L. Wang, P. Li, Z. Wu, J. Yan, M. Wang, Y. Ding, Synthesis 2003, 2001

E. C Riesgo, X. Jin, R. P. Thummel, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 3017

A. Courtin, Helvetica Chemica Acta 1980, 63, 2280 (AN 1981: 406876)

$$CI$$
 NO_2
 $Fe, MeOH$
 CI
 NH_2
 NH_2
 NH_2

M. W. Zettler, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 4, 2871

Beckmann Fragmentation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

A better leaving group is made when oxygen bonds to the Lewis Acid

Because a stable carbocation can be formed, the nitrile is liberated before it can be trapped by water as in the usual <u>Beckmann Rearrangement</u>.

Notes:

Starting material preparation:

$$\stackrel{R}{\stackrel{}} = 0 \qquad \stackrel{H_2N-OH}{\longrightarrow} \qquad \stackrel{R}{\stackrel{}} = N \qquad \stackrel{OH}{\longrightarrow} N$$

The -OH group is generally anti to the larger R

Hydroxylamine-O-sulfonic acid (HOSA)

$$\stackrel{R}{\triangleright} 0 \xrightarrow{H_2N-O} \stackrel{SO_3H}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{R}{\triangleright} N \stackrel{SO_3F}{\longrightarrow}$$

Provides an intermediate with a reactive leaving group already incorporated.

Examples:

G. Rosini, M. Greir, E. Marcotta, M. Petrini, R. Ballini, Tetrahedron 1986, 42, 6027

H. Nishiyama, K. Sakuta, N. Osaka, H. Arai, M. Matsumoto, K. Itoh, Tetrahedron 1988, 44, 2413

$$\frac{\text{HOSA}}{43\%} \qquad \text{NC} \qquad \equiv \qquad \text{CN}$$

M. G. Rosenberg, U. Haslinger, U. H. Brinker, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 450

J. D. White, J. Kim, N. E. Drapela, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 8665

Beckmann Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$\begin{pmatrix}
R \\
R'
\end{pmatrix}$$
OH
$$\frac{1 \cdot H^{\bigoplus}}{2 \cdot H_2O}$$
O
$$\frac{R}{H}$$
OH
$$\frac{R}{H}$$
OH
$$\frac{R}{H}$$

Can be a ring enlargement.

The reaction can also be carried out with PCl₅, PPA, P₂O₅ or TsCl.

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Starting Material Preparation:

$$\begin{array}{c}
R \\
\downarrow O \\
R'
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
H_2N - OH \\
R'
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
R \\
R'$$

The -OH group is generally anti to the larger R.

T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 22-24; M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1349, 1381, 1384, 1415-1416; L. G. Donaruma, W. Z. Heldt, Organic Reactions 11, 1; R. E. Gawley, Organic Reactions 35, 1

The rearrangement of amidoximes to derivatives of urea is called the Tiemann Rearrangement.

Examples:

J. A. Robl, E. Dieber-McMaster, R. Sulsky, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 8985

M. Han, D. F. Covey, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 7614

O. Muraoka, B.-Z. Zheng, K. Okumura, G. Tanabe, T. Momose, C. H. Eugster, *Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1* **1996**, <u>13</u>, 1567

N. Komatsu, S. Simizu, T. Sugita, Synthetic Communications 1992, 22, 277 (AN 1992:151543)

$$P_2O_5$$
 $MeSO_3H$
 P_2O_5
 $MeSO_3H$
 P_2O_5
 P_2O_5

P. W. Jeffs, G. Molina, N. A. Cortese, P. R. Hauck, J. Wolfram, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1982, 47, 3876

In this example, the intermediate carbocation is trapped by Me₃Al rather than water:

Me
$$\psi_{10}$$
 $\frac{\text{Me}_3\text{Al}}{54\%}$ $\frac{\text{Me}}{10}$ $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{N}}$ $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{Me}}$

Y. Matsmura, K. Maruoka, H. Yamamoto, Tetrahedron Letters 1982, 23, 1929

Beirut Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

L. Turker, E. Dura, Journal of Molecular Structure (Theochem) 2002, 593, 143

For 1,3-diketones both isomers can be observed.

A second mechanistic interpretation:

C. H. Issidorides, M. J. Haddadin, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 31, 4067

Notes:

The reaction provides access to a number of quinoxaline-1,4-dioxide derivatives, by reaction of the benzofurazan oxide with 1,3-diketones, β -ketoesters, enals, enamines, phenols and α,β -unsaturated ketones.

Examples:

C. H. Issidorides, M. J. Haddadin, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1966, 31, 4067

M. L. Edwards, R. E. Bambury, H. W. Ritter, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 1976, 19, 330

M. J. Haddadin, C. H. Issidorides, Tetrahedron Letters 1965, 6, 3253

A large series prepared for screening

A. Carta, G. Paglietti, M. E. R. Nikookar, P. Sanna, L. Sechi, S. Zanetti, European Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 2002, 37. 355

Benzidine Rearrangement (Zinin Benzidine Rearrangement)

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ &$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 1455-1456; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 24-26.

Byproducts sometimes include semidines:

Examples:

This work included kinetic details.

H. J. Shine, K. H. Park, M. L. Brownawell, J. S. Filippo, Jr., Journal of the American Chemical Society 1984, 106, 7077

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & &$$

A. Burawoy, C. E. Vellins Journal of the Chemical Society 1954, 90

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & Br \\ \hline & & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ Br & & \\ \hline & & & \\ Br & & \\ \hline & & \\ NH & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

H. R. Snyder, C. Weaver, C. D. Marshall, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1949, 71, 289

M. Nojima, T. Ando, N. Tokura, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transaction 1 1976, 14, 1504

The following is an example of the *Sheradsky Rearrangement*. It is an oxygenated analog of the *Benzidine Rearrangement*.

T. Sheradsky, S. Auramovki-Grisaru, Journal of Heterocyclic Chemistry 1980, 17, 189 (AN 1980:407167)

Benzilic Acid Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
O & 1. & O & HO & O \\
R & R' & 2. & H & R' & O \\
\end{array}$$

Typically the R groups are aromatic, but if not, must be devoid of α -hydrogens.

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1403; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 26-27.

This reaction can be a ring contraction:

Reported in: T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, p 27 (A. Schaltegger, P. Bigler, Helvetica Chemica Acta, 1986, 69, 1666)

Examples:

S. Deb, R. Chakraborti, U. R. Ghatak, Synthetic Communications 1993, 23, 913 (AN 1993:494997)

J. M. Robinson, E. T. Flynn, T. L. McMahan, S. L. Simpson, J. C. Trisler, K. B. Conn, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1991, <u>56</u>, 6709

V. Georgian, N. Kundu, Tetrahedron 1963, 19, 1037

E. Campaigne, R. C. Bourgeois, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1953, 75, 2702

Benzoin Condensation

The Reaction:

2
 $^{\text{OH}}$ $^{\text{OH}}$ $^{\text{OH}}$

No protons on the α carbon. The group is typically aromatic.

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p 1240, 1243; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 27-29; W. S. Ide, J. S. Buck, *Organic Reactions* 4, 5.

Use of thiazolium ion catalysis allows the *benzoin condensation* of aldehydes with α -protons.

Me
$$\sim$$
 CHO \sim HO \sim S \sim CHO \sim C

H. Stetter, H. Kuhlmann, Organic Syntheses, CV 7, 95

In these reactions a thiazolium salt forms an ion that participates much like cyanide:

$$\mathbb{R}^{\mathsf{N}'} \mathbb{R}^{\mathsf{N}''}$$

Stetter Reaction (Stetter 1,4-Dicarbonyl Synthesis)

H. Stetter, H. Kuhlmann, W. Haese, Organic Syntheses, CV 8, 620

Examples:

G. Sumrell, J. I. Stevens, G. Goheen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1957, 22, 39

A. S. Demir, P. Ayhan, A. C. Igdir, A. N. Duygu, Tetrahedron 2004 60 6509

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CHO & Chiral & O \\ \hline Et_3N & OH \\ \hline 34\% & Me & low e.e. \end{array}$$

Y. Tachibana, N. Kihara, T. Takata, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2004, 126, 3438

BFD = Benzoylformate decarboxylase

P. Dünkelmann, D. Kolter-Jung, A. Nitsche, A. S. Demir, P. Siegert, B. Lingen, M. Baumann, M. Pohl, M. Müller, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2002**, <u>124</u>, 12084

Bergman Cyclization

The Reaction:

$$\frac{\Delta}{2 \text{ H}^{\bullet}}$$
 The source is frequently 1,4-dihydrobenzene \mathbb{R}^{1}

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1432; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 29-33.

The Myers-Saito Cyclization is a similar reaction with a different substrate:

$$\frac{1. \Delta \text{ or hu}}{2. \text{ Hydrogen donor}}$$

allenyl enyne

Examples:

H. Mastalerz, T. W. Doyle, J. F. Kadow, D. M. Vyas, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 8683

K. Iida, M. Kirama, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1995, 117, 8875

D. P. Magnus, R. T. Lewis, J. C. Huffman, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1988**, 110, 6921

M. F. Semmelhack, T. Neu, F. Foubelo, Tetrahedron Letters 1992, 33, 3277

T. Brandstetter, M. E. Maier, Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 1435

M. M. McPhee, S. M. Kerwin, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 9385

Biginelli Reaction (Biginelli Pyrimidone Synthesis)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

G. Jenner, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 6195

C. O. Kappe, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 7201

$$- \underbrace{H_2O}_{H_2N} \underbrace{\bigcap_{H_2}^{O} \bigcap_{H_2}^{O} \bigcap_{H_2}^{R'OOC}}_{R''} \underbrace{\bigcap_{H_2N}^{O} \bigcap_{H_2N}^{O} \bigcap_{H_2N}^{O}$$

$$-\text{H}_2\text{O} \qquad \text{H} \qquad \text{COOR'}$$

$$\text{O} \qquad \text{N} \qquad \text{R"}$$

Notes:

C. O. Kappe, A. Stadler, Organic Reactions 63, 1

Examples:

A. Dondoni, A. Mass, S. Sabbatini, V. Bertolasi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 6979

M. A. P. Martins, M. V. M. Teixeira, W. Cunico, E. Scapin, a, R. Mayer, C. M. P. Pereira, N. Zanatta, H.G. Bonacorso, C.Peppeb Y.-F. Yuan, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2004**, <u>45</u>, 8991

Me-CHO +
$$Ph$$
OEt + O
NH
NH
NH
NH
NH
NH
NH
NH
NH

H. E. Zaugg, W. B. Martin, Organic Reactions 1965, 14, 130

$$H_{3}C$$
 COOEt + $H_{2}N$ $NH_{2}MeO$ OMe 92% $H_{3}C$ NH

R. S. Bhosale, S. V. Bhosale, S. V. Bhosale, T. Wang, P. K. Zubaidha, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2004**, <u>45</u>, 9111

$$_{\mathrm{HOOC}}$$
 $_{\mathrm{OH}}$ $_{\mathrm{Ph}}$ $_{\mathrm{H}}$ $_{\mathrm{H}}$ $_{\mathrm{H}_{2}\mathrm{N}}$ $_{\mathrm{NH}_{2}}$ $_{\mathrm{HOOC}}$ $_{\mathrm{R}}$ $_{\mathrm{NH}}$

J. C. Bussolari, P. A. McDonnel Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 6777

Birch Reduction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1010; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 33-35; D. Caine, *Organic Reactions* 23,1; P. W. Rabideau, Z. Marcinow, *Organic Reactions* 42,1.

 Na / NH_3 is more prone to Fe-catalyzed conversion to $NaNH_2$. The *Wilds Modification* (A. L. Wilds, N. A. Nelson, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1953**, 75, 5360) uses Li, and is less likely to be converted to amide ion. It is often helpful to distill the liquid ammonia before use.

Other susceptible functional groups:

Benkeser Reduction

$$G$$
 M , R - NH_2

 $R-NH_2$ = various amines eg. Et_2NH and Me_2NH M = Na. Li, Ca

Henbest Reductino

Birch reduction of enones provides for a number of useful synthetic applications:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{ROH} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Li / NH}_3 \\ \text{O} \\ \text{\hline{}} \\ \text{\hline{}} \\ \text{CN-Br} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{R-X} \\ \text{\hline{}} \\ \text{\hline{}} \\ \text{\hline{}} \\ \text{\hline{}} \\ \text{CN} \end{array}$$

Examples:

A. G. Schultz, L. Pettus, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 6855

L. E. Overman, D. J. Riccan, V. D. Tran, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1997, 119, 12031

With a weaker organic acid used in workup, the enol ether can be selectively converted to the ketone without conjugation of the resulting enone.

E. J. Corey, N. W. Boaz, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 6015

The intermediate anion can be captured by electrophiles other than protons.

A. Gopalan, P. Mangus, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1980, 102, 1756

Bischler-Napieralski Reaction

The Reaction:

Other catalysts are possible. (e.g. ZnCl₂ and PO₅)

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 721; W. M. Whaley, T. R. Govindachari, *Organic Reactions* 6, 12

Starting Material Preparation:

Anhydrides can also be used.

Examples:

MeO
$$\frac{9:1}{50\%}$$
 MeO $\frac{\text{MeO}}{1}$ $\frac{\text{MeO}}{1}$

S. Doi, N. Shirai, Y. Sato, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1 1997, 15, 2217

E. E. Van Tamelen, C. Placeway, G. P. Schiemenz, I. G. Wright, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1969, 91, 7359

$$O = \bigvee_{\substack{N \\ H}} \bigoplus_{\substack{MeO}} \bigoplus_{\substack{HN \\ OMe}} O = \bigvee_{\substack{N \\ 94\%}} \bigoplus_{\substack{N \\ OMe}} O = \bigvee_{\substack{N \\ OMe}} O = \bigvee_{\substack{$$

C. V. Denyer, J. Bunyan, D. M. Loakes, J. Tucker, J. Gillam, Tetrahedron 1995, 51, 5057

S. Jeganathan, M. Srinivasan, Synthesis 1980, 1021

A. Brossi, L. A. Dolan, S. Teitel, Organic Synthesis 1977, 56, 3

C. S. Hilger, B. Fugmann, W. Steglich, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 5975

Blaise Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

The starting reagent is the *Reformatsky*-type. In this case, instead of adding to a carbonyl group, addition is to the nitrile. See *Reformatsky Reaction* for a discussion of reagent.

Br Zn BrZn OR"
$$R'''$$
 oxidative addition

H N OR" R''' OR" R''' R'' R''' R'' R''' R'' R'

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1213.

See Reformatsky Reaction for further comments on the organo-zinc reagent.

It is possible to arrest the workup to provide the enamine product:

imine - enamine tautomerism

Examples:

J. Syed, S. Forster, F. Effenberger, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1998, 9, 805

M. Mauduit, C. Kouklovsky, Y. Langlois, C. Riche, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1053

OTMS
$$R = \frac{1. \text{ BrZn} + \frac{Me}{CO_2Et}}{2. \text{ hydrolysis}}$$

$$R = \frac{1. \text{ BrZn} + \frac{R}{CO_2Et}}{R} = \frac{R}{R} = \frac{Ph}{R}, 19\%$$

$$R = \frac{1. \text{ Pr}}{R}, 13\%$$

J. J. Duffield, A. C. Regan, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1996, 7, 663

R-CN + BrZn
$$CO_2Et$$
 $\frac{1. Zn/ZnO, sonication}{2. hydrolysis}$ $R = \frac{CO_2Et}{R}$ $R = Ph, 90\%$

A. S.-Y. Lee, R.-Y. Cheng, O.-G. Pan, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 443

Blanc Chloromethylation Reaction

The Reaction:

$$Ar-H + HCI \xrightarrow{ZnCl_2} Ar + HCI$$

Proposed Mechanism:

The HCl and ZnCl₂ form the reactive reagent with formaldehyde:

$$\bigvee_{H}^{H} = O + HCl + ZnCl_{2} \longrightarrow \bigvee_{H}^{H} = O_{\bigoplus}^{H} + \Theta_{ZnCl_{3}}$$

Notes:

See: <u>Formaldehyde</u>. The use of aqueous formaldehyde sometimes gives better yield than using paraformaldehyde.

See the similar Quelet Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c}
R' \\
O \\
+ R \\
H
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
HCl \\
ZnCl_2
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
R' \\
O \\
R
\end{array}$$

$$C1$$

If the p-position is filled, the substitution will go to an open *ortho* position.

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_2O, HCI \\ \hline H_3PO_4, HOAc \end{array}$$

O. Grummitt, A. Buc, Organic Syntheses CV 3, 195

W. G. Whittleston, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1937, 59, 825

$$\begin{array}{c|c} Me & Me \\ \hline \\ Me & CH_2O \\ \hline \\ HC! & T5-80\% \\ \hline \\ Me & Me \\ \end{array}$$

J. V. Braun, J. Nelles, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1951, 73, 766

Me
A. W. Van der Made R. H Van Der Made, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1993, 58, 1262

Blanc Cyclization / Reaction (Blanc Rule)

The Reaction:

This reaction works for 1,6 dicarboxylic acids or larger.

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

For 1,4 or 1,5 diacids the following is observed:

$$\begin{cases} 2 - 1 & Ac_2O \\ 4 - COOH & Ac_2O \\ 5 & OH \end{cases}$$

The Ruzicka Cyclization (or Ruzicka Large Ring Synthesis) is a similar reaction in which cyclic ketones are formed from salts (Ca or Ba for smaller rings and Th or Ce for larger rings) of diacids:

P. A. Plattner, A. Furst, K. Jirasek, *Helvetica Chimica Acta* 1944, 29, 730 (AN 1946:23967)

Examples:

H.-J. Gais, G. Bülow, A. Zatorski, M. Jentsch, P. Maidonis, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 5115

L. Crombie, J. E. H. Hancock, R. P. Linstead, Journal of the Chemical Society 1953, 3496

W. E. Backmann, N. C. Deno, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1949, 71, 3540

J. Dressel, K. L. Chasey, L. A. Paquette, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1988, 110, 5479

Examples of the Ruzicka Cyclization:

W. S. Johnson, D. K. Banerjee, W. P. Schneider, C. D. Gutsche, W. E. Shelberg, L. J. Chinn, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1952, 74, 2832

H. E. Baumgarten, D. C. Gleason, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1951, 16, 1658

Boord Olefin Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$R \xrightarrow[Br]{OEt} R' \xrightarrow{Zn, Mg \text{ or Na}} R \xrightarrow[H]{H} R'$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$R \xrightarrow[Br]{OEt} Zn, Mg \text{ or } Na \\ R \xrightarrow[Br]{OEt} R \xrightarrow[Br]{OEt} R \xrightarrow[Br]{OEt} R \xrightarrow[Br]{OEt} R \xrightarrow[Br]{H} R$$

The E1-CB mechanism associated with this reaction results in similar product yields independent of stereochemistry.

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1344.

Starting Material Preparation:

Examples:

B. Halton, S. G. G. Russell, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1991, 56, 5553

J. S. Yadav, R. Renduchintala, L. Samala, Tetrahedron Letters 1994, 35, 3617

R. Paul, O. Riobé, M. Maumy, Organic Syntheses CV 6, 675

S. N. Joshi, A. R. A. S. Deshmukh, B. M. Bhawal, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 2000, 11, 1477

Borche Reduction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The success of this procedure rests on the much greater reactivity of

$$R$$
 R' R' to the reducing agent

Examples:

R. F. Borch, H. D. Durst, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1969, 91, 3996

S. E. Sen, G. D. Prestwich, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1989, 111, 8761

$$i$$
-Pr $MeOH_3Cl$, NaCNBH₃ i -Pr $MeOH_3Cl$, NaCNBH₃ $MeOH_3$

A. S. Kende, T. J. Bentley, R. A. Mader, D. Ridge, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1974, 96, 4332

To see the use of the method for generating a library, with a modification of the reducing agent: R. A. Tommasi, L. W. Whaley, H. R. Marepalli, *Journal of Combinatorial Chemistry* **2000**, 2, 447

A. J. Frontier, S. Raghaven, S. J. Danishefsky, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1997, <u>119</u>,

K. M. Werner, J. M. de los Santos, S. M. Weinreb, M. Shang, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 686

Borsche-Drechsel Cyclization

The Reaction:

Notes:

See this general concept in the Fischer Indole Synthesis and the Bucherer Carbazole Synthesis.

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 865-66; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, p. 37

Bucherer Carbazole Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples of Borsche-Drechsel Cyclization

P. Bruck, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1970, 35, 2222

K. Freter, V. Juchs, T. P. Pitner, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1983, 48, 4593

Bouveault Aldehyde Synthesis / Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R-M + H$$

$$M = Mex. Li.$$
O DMF
$$R$$

$$R$$

$$R$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Comin modification:

D. L. Comins, J. D. Brown, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1984, 49, 1078

Notes:

Based on the mechanism, one might suggest an extension to ketone synthesis. This is not a useful reaction. (M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p 1215).

$$R-MgX + R' \xrightarrow{O}_{N} Me \xrightarrow{X}_{R} R$$

DMF

Bodroux-Chichibabin Aldehyde Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

J. M. Lovell, J. A. Joule, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1 1996, 2391

G. J. Bodwell, Z. Pi, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 309

D. Cai, D. L. Hughes, T. R. Verhoeven, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 2537

S. P. Khanapure, S. Manna, J. Rokach, R. C. Murphy, P. Wheelan, W. S. Powell, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1995**, 60, 1806

Bouveault-Blanc Reduction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1191, 1551.

The related reduction of simple carbonyl groups with Na / alcohol (see boxed portion of mechanism) has been largely replaced by hydride reduction. However, the method has some advantages:

- 1. "thermodynamic products" are favored;
- 2. Oximes are converted to amines.

For direct conversion of an acid to an aldehyde in the presence of a ketone:

$$C_{4H_9}$$
 OH C_{4H_9} $C_{4H_$

T. Fujisawa, T. Sato, Organic Syntheses CV 8, 498

Examples:

It is appropriate here to mention that in the following example LiAlH₄ would reduce both the acid and the ester; diborane would preferentially reduce the acid; and DIBAH would convert the ester to an aldehyde.

L. A. Paquette, N. A. Nelson, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1962, 27, 2272

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \overset{\underline{H}}{\longrightarrow} CO_2Me & Na, NH_3 \\ & & \\ H''COOH & \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{c|c} \overset{\underline{H}}{\longrightarrow} CO_2Me & \overset{\underline{H}}{\longrightarrow} COOH \\ \hline \\ H''COOH & \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{c|c} \overset{\underline{H}}{\longrightarrow} COOH & \overset{\underline{H}}{\longrightarrow} COOH \\ \hline \end{array}$$

R. M. Borzilleri, S. M. Weinreb, M. Parvez, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1995, 117, 10905

J. Chaussard, C. Combellas, A. Thiebault, Tetrahedron Letters 1987, 28,1173

EtOOC
$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{Na} \\
\hline
\text{EtOH}
\end{array}$$
HOH₂C $\begin{array}{c}
\text{CH}_2\text{OH} \\
\text{8}
\end{array}$

R. H. Manske, Organic Syntheses CV 2, 154

Boyland-Sims Oxidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

E. J. Behrman, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1992, 57, 2266

Notes:

For comments on this and the *Elbs Reaction*, see: M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p 724; E. J. Behrman, *Organic Reactions* 35, 2

See the similarity in the:

Elbs Persulfate Oxidation (Elbs Reaction)

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{OH} \\
& \text{HOH (aq), } K_2S_2O_8 \\
& \text{HO}
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 92-93; V. K. Ahluwalia, R. K. Parashar, *Organic Reaction Mechanisms*, Alpha Science International, Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, pp 320-321.

Notes:

Oxidation usually occurs at the *para* position. If the *para* position is occupied, the *ortho* position is the next likely site for reaction.

Bradsher Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p 720

$$G \overset{R'}{\longleftrightarrow} G \overset{R'}{\longleftrightarrow$$

$$-H^{\bigoplus}$$

$$HO R^{H}$$

$$-H^{\bigoplus}$$

$$HO R$$

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$$HO R$$

$$G \overset{R'}{\underset{H_2O}{\longleftarrow}} R$$

Notes:

This reaction also works with heterocyclic derivatives, where G = O, S, or Se.

$$\bigcap_{Q} \bigcap_{R} \bigcap_{Q} \bigcap_{R} \bigcap_{Q} \bigcap_{R} \bigcap_{Q} \bigcap_{R} \bigcap_{Q} \bigcap_{Q$$

See: Polycarbocyclic Syntheses

Examples:

R. G. Harvey, C. Cortez, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 7101

C. K Bradsher, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1940, 62, 486

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\ &$$

F. A. Vingiello, R. K. Stevens, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1958, 80, 5256

C. K. Bradsher, E. F. Sinclair, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1957, 22, 79

Brook Rearrangement

The Reaction:

n = 1 - 3, where for 3 - 5 membered transition states can be formed.

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

B. Dondy, P. Doussot, C. Portella, Tetrahedron Letters 1994, 35, 409

P. F. Cirillo, J. S. Panek, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1990, 55, 6071

K. Takeda, H. Haraguchi, Y. Okamoto, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 3705

M. Koreeda, S. Koo, Tetrahedron Letters 1990, 31, 831

An example of a Homo-Brook Rearrangement

Yields were varied, depending on base used.

R. Ducray, N. Cramer, M. A. Ciufolini, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 9175

L. A. Calvo, A. M. Gonza'lez-Nogal, A. Gonza'lez-Ortega, M. C. San"udo, *Tetrahedron Letters* 2001, 42, 8981

Brown's Hydroboration

See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 157-160.

The Reaction:

HBR'₂ may be BH₃ (B₂H₆ = diborane) or other borane derivatives (see below).

Proposed Mechanism:

In the presence of ethers (and especially dimethyl sulfide) diborane can dissociate into a complexed

Borane attacks from the least hindered face.

Boron adds as an electrophile and hydride as the nucleophile in a Stereochemical control. cis-fashion. Regiochemical control.

Boron hydrolysis begins with the attack of peroxide.

$$R \xrightarrow{H} \bigoplus_{B \in \mathcal{P}} R' \xrightarrow{OH} R \xrightarrow{P} O \xrightarrow{B} R' \xrightarrow{1. OOH} R \xrightarrow{H} O \xrightarrow{B} OR' \xrightarrow{OH} OR'$$

The bond to boron then migrates to oxygen.

Two more addition / migrations take place

The result is a cis, anti-Markownikoff addition of water. The C-B bond is converted into a C-OH bond with retention of stereochemistry.

Notes:

With hindered alkenes, it is more difficult to add three alkenes to borane. This becomes the basis for unique, borane derivatives. See Hydroboration Reagents.

Examples:

G. W. Kabalka, S. Yu, N.-S. Li, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 5455

D. L. Gober, R. A. Lerner, B. F. Cravatt, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1994, 59, 5078

D. L. Gober, R. A. Lerner, B. F. Cravatt, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1994, 59, 5078

K. Suenaga, K. Araki, T. Sengoku, D. Uemura, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 527

Bucherer-Bergs Reaction

The Reaction:

Hydrolysis of the hydantoin provides an approach to amino acids:

Proposed Mechanism:

F. L. Chubb, J. T. Edward, S. C. Wong, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1980**, <u>45</u>, 2315 An intermediate α -aminonitrile carbamate is found. A. Rousset, M. Lasperas, J. Taillades, A. Commeyras, *Tetrahedron* **1980**, <u>36</u>, 2649

Examples:

R: 3-benzylthymine

F. L. Chubb, J. T. Edward, S. C. Wong, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1980, 45, 2315

J. Ezquerra, B. Yruretaguyena, C. Avendano, E. de la Cuesta, R. Gonzalez, L. Prieto, C. Peqregal, M. Espada, W. Prowse, *Tetrahedron* 1995, 51, 3271

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ & &$$

C. Dominguez, J. Ezquerra, S. R. Baker, S. Burrelly, L. Prieto, M. Espada, C. Pedregal, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1998, 39, 9305

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B. Steiner, J. Micova, M. Koos, V. Langer, D. Gyepesova, Carbohydrate Research 2003, 338, 1349

Bucherer Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} OH & \underbrace{Na_2SO_3, NH_3}_{H_2O} & \\ \hline & \\ NH_2 & \underbrace{Na_2SO_3, H_2O}_{KOH} & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

This reaction can be carried out in either direction with modest modifications of reaction conditions.

Proposed Mechanism:

keto-enol tautomerism

$$O = NH_3$$
 $O = NH_3$
 $O = N$

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 861, 865; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 37-39; N. L. Drake, *Organic Reactions* 1, 5.

Examples:

R. S. Coleman, M. A. Mortensen, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 1215

S. Vyskocil, M. Smrcina, M. Lorenc, I. Tislerova, R. D. Brooks, J. J. Kulagowski, V. Langer, L. J. Farrugia, P. Kocovsky, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2001**, <u>66</u>, 1359

L. F. Fieser, E. B. Hershberg, L. Long, Jr., M. S. Newman, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1937, 59, 475

K. Korber, W. Tang, X. Hu, X. Zhang, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 7163

Buchwald-Hartwig Reactions

The Reaction:

$$Ar-X + R N R' \frac{Pd(0)}{NaOt-Bu, tol, \Delta} Ar-N$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Buchwald calls the replacement of halide by nitrogen metathesis.

Sources for mechanism:

- J. P. Wolfe, S. Wagaw, S. L. Buchwald, Accounts of Chemical Research 1998, 31, 805
- J. Louie, J. F. Hartwig, Tetrahedron Letters 1995, 36, 3609
- B. H. Yang, S. L. Buchwald, Journal of Organometallic Chemistry 1999, 576, 125

Notes:

the space.

Representative catalysts:

 $Pd(dppf)Cl_2 =$ [1,1'-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene]dichloropalladium(II)

A useful Review describes the use of BINAP for the conversion:

Ar-Br + R'NH₂
$$\frac{0.25 \text{ mol}\% \text{ Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3}{\text{BINAP, NaO}t\text{-Bu}} \text{Ar-NHR'}$$

J. P. Wolfe, S. Wagaw, S. L. Buchwald, Accounts of Chemical Research 1998, 31, 805

Examples:

L. C. J. Gillet, O. D. Scharer, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 4205

S. Urgaonkar, J.-H. Xu, J. G. Verkade, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 8416

$$NH_2$$
 $Pd_2(dba)_3$, $BINAP$ NAO_t -Bu P H_2N P H_2N

A number of ligands and resins were examined.

K. Weigand, S. Pelka, *Organic Letters* **2002**, <u>4</u>, 4689

Cadiot-Chodkiewicz Coupling

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$R' \longrightarrow H \longrightarrow Cu(I) \qquad R' \longrightarrow H \longrightarrow CuCI \qquad R' \longrightarrow Cu \qquad R \longrightarrow X$$

$$CuCl \qquad R' \longrightarrow Cu \qquad Oxidative addition$$

$$R \longrightarrow - X \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow - Cu \longrightarrow - R' \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow - R$$

Notes:

See Alkyne Coupling,

 $CuCl = Cu_2Cl_2$

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 937.

reductive elimnation

Strauss Coupling:

In the absence of oxygen or oxidizing atmosphere:

$$R = Cu \qquad \frac{\text{HOAc}}{\text{non-oxidative conditions}} \qquad R = \frac{H}{H}$$

Examples:

D. Elbaum, T. B. Nguyen, W. L. Jorgensen, S. L. Schreiber, Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 1503

$$= \bigvee_{0}^{N} \bigvee_{0} \xrightarrow{CuCl} \bigvee_{0}^{N} = \bigvee_{0}^{N} \bigvee_{0}^{N}$$

U. Fritzsche, S. Hunig, Tetrahedron Letters 1972, 13, 4831

$$= \left\langle \text{OH} \quad \frac{\text{CuCl}}{\text{O}_2} \quad \text{HO} \right\rangle = \left\langle \text{OH} \right\rangle$$

H. A. Stansbury, W. R. Proops, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1962, 27, 320

A. S. Hay, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1962, 27, 3320

J.-P. Gotteland, I. Brunel, F. Gendre, J. Desire, A. Delhon, D. Junquero, P. Oms, S. Halazy, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* **1995** <u>38</u>, 3207

Cannizzarro Reaction / Aldehyde Disproportionation

The Reaction:

no acidic protons typically $CR_3 = Ar$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp 40-42; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1564-1565; T. A. Geissman, *Organic Reactions* 2, 3.

Tollens Reaction

The reaction is an aldol condensation followed by a Cannizzarro reaction.

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

M. Hausermann, Helvetica Chemica Acta 1951, 34, 1211 (AN 1952:2485)

C. G. Swain, A. L. Powell, W. A. Sheppard, C. R. Morgan, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1979, 101, 3576

W. C. Wilson, Organic Syntheses, CV1, 276

A. Pourjavadi, B. Soleimanzadeh, G. B. Marandi, Reactive & Functional Polymers 2002, 51, 49

K. Yoshizawa, S. Toyota, F. Toda, Tetrahedron Letters 2001 42, 7983

Cargill Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\beta \xrightarrow{\gamma} \beta \xrightarrow{H^{\bigoplus}} \beta \xrightarrow{Q} \beta \xrightarrow$$

R. L. Cargill, T. E. Jackson, N. P. Peet, D. M. Pond, Accounts of Chemical Research 1974, 7, 106

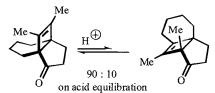
Notes:

The name of this rearrangement is applied to acid conditions on β - γ unsaturated ketones where either (or both) the carbonyl and/or alkene bond is in a strained environment.

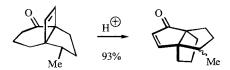
In later works, the name seems to include highly congested and strained multi-ring systems.

S. N. Fedorov, O. S. Radchenko, L. K. Shubina, A. I. Kalinovsky, A. V. Gerasimenko, D. Y. Popov, V. A. Stonik *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2001**, <u>123</u>, 504

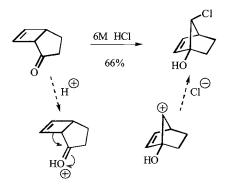
Examples:



R. L. Cargill, T. E. Jackson, N. P. Peet, D. M. Pond, Accounts of Chemical Research 1974, 7, 106



A. B. Smith, III, P. J. Jerris, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1981, 103, 194



R. L. Cargill, D. M. Ponds, S. O. LeGrande Journal of Organic Chemistry 1970, 35, 359

Carroll Rearrangement (Kimel-Cope Rearrangement)

The Reaction:

$$0 \qquad Me \qquad Me$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See Claisen, Cope and Related Rearrangements.

Enol formation provides the necessary "1,5-diene" for the "Cope-like" rearrangement. If one provides an enolate anion, the ionic nature of the reaction provides the expected acceleration of rate.

Anion-accelerated Carroll Rearrangement:

B. Shi, N. A. Hawrylik, B. B. Snider, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 1030

Examples:

M. Koreeda, L. Brown, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1983, 48, 2122

M. Tanabe, K. Hayashi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1980, 102, 862

D. Enders, M. Knopp, Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 5805

MeO OMe

1. LDA

2. TBDMSCl

3.
$$\Delta$$
4. F Θ

not purified

Me

 CO_2H

G. A. Kraus, P. J. Thomas, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1986, 51, 503

Castro-Stephens Coupling

The Reaction:

$$Cu(I) \quad H - C \equiv C - R$$

$$Ar - X \quad + \quad Cu - C \equiv C - R \qquad \frac{pyridine}{\Delta} \qquad Ar - C \equiv C - R$$

Proposed Mechanism:

See Alkyne Coupling

Notes:

It appears that common use of the Name now extends to halides other than Ar-X. Thus, for example:

J. D. White, R. G. Carter, K. F. Sundermann, M. Wartmann, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, 2001, 123, 5407

Examples:

$$Me$$
 + H n -Bu CuI $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ n -Bu n -Bu n -Bu

M. A. Ciufolini, J. W. Mitchell, F. Roschangar, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 8281

Although the authors call this reaction a Castro-Stephens reaction, they point out that it is really a Linstrumelle modification of the Sonogashira protocol.

D. Guillerm, G. Linstrumelle, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 3811

J. Mulzer, M. Berger, Tetrahedron Letters, 1998, 39, 803

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O & & & \\ \hline \\ O & & \\ \hline \\ I & & \\ \hline \\ H & & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

R. Garg, R. S. Coleman, Organic Letters, 2001, 3, 3487

G. A. Krause, K. Frazier, Tetrahedron Letters, 1978, 19, 3195

Chan Alkyne Reduction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Reagent preparation:

HO Me
$$\frac{\text{Na}^0, \text{Al}^0, \text{H}_2}{\text{benzene}, >100^{\circ}\text{C}}$$
 HAI O Me

SMEAH

Sodium bis(2-methoxymthoxy)aluminum Hydride

The reaction bears similarity to the Whiting Reaction:

Examples:

H. Yamamoto, T. Oritani, Phytochemistry, 1995, 40, 1033

M. M. Kabat, J. Kiegiel, N. Cohen, K. Toth, P. M. Wovkulich, M. R. Uskokovic, *Journal of Organic Chemistry*, 1996, 61, 118

C. Agami, M. Cases, F. Couty, Journal of Organic Chemistry, 1994, 59, 7937

T. Eguchi, T. Koudate, K. Kakinuma, Tetrahedron, 1993, 49, 4527

E. B. Bates, E. R. H. Jones, M. C. Whiting, Journal of the Chemical Society, 1954, 1854

Chan-Lam Coupling

The Reaction:

OH
$$H-Z = H-N$$
 or $H-O$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & OH \\
 & OH
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & Cu(OAc)_2 \\
 & Cu^-L \\
 & OAc
\end{array}$$

Notes:

Evans describes the possibility of a common intermediate for the <u>Ullman</u> and *Chan-Lam reactions*. D. A. Evans, J. Katz, T. R. West, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1998, 39, 2937

Examples:

P. Y. S. Lam, C. G. Clark, S. Saubern, J. Adams, M. P. Winters, D. M. T. Chan, A. Combs, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 2941

J. C. Antilla, S. L. Buchwald, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2077

Me
$$\longrightarrow$$
 OH \longrightarrow H₂N \longrightarrow OH \longrightarrow OH \longrightarrow NH \longrightarrow NH \longrightarrow NH

J. C. Antilla, S. L. Buchwald, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2077

D. M. T. Chan, K. L. Monaca, R.-P. Wanag, M. P. Winters, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 2933

D. A. Evans, J. Katz, T. R. West, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 2937

Chapman Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Similar to the Newman-Kwart Rearrangement:

Examples:

$$Ph \longrightarrow O_2N \longrightarrow NO_2 \longrightarrow NO_2 \longrightarrow NO_2N \longrightarrow NO_2$$

$$Ph \longrightarrow NO_2 \longrightarrow NO_2 \longrightarrow NO_2$$

$$Ph \longrightarrow NO_2 \longrightarrow NO_2$$

$$Ph \longrightarrow Ph$$

J. D. McCullough, Jr., D. Y. Curtin, I. C. Paul, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1972, 94, 874

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{MeOOC} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{Ph Me} \\ \text{Cl} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{heat} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{N} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{CooMe} \\ \text{Ph} \\ \text{Cl} \\ \end{array}$$

D. M. Hall, E. E. Turner, Journal of the Chemical Society 1945, 694

The methyl migration is rationalized.

T. Kuroda, F. Zuzuki, Tetrahedron Letters 1992, 33, 2027

W. G. Dauben, R. L. Hodgson, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1950, 72, 3479

Chichibabin Reaction

The Reaction:

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Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See: M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 873.

This reaction will work with other nitrogen containing heterocycles such as quinoline.

Attack at the 2- or 4- positions can leave negative charge on the ring nitrogen.

A related reaction: Ziegler alkylation:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & R-Li \\
 & N \\
 & H
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & -LiH \\
 & \Delta
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & R-Li \\
 & N
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & R-LiH \\
 & A
\end{array}$$

In the pyrimidine series an S_N(ANRORC) mechanism has been proposed:

H. C. van der Plas, Accounts of Chemical Research 1978, 11, 462

Examples:

M. Palucki, D. L. Hughes, N. Yasuda, C. Yang, P. J. Reider, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 6811

N. J. Kos, H. C. van der Plas, B. van Veldhuizen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1979, 44, 3140

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
& \hookrightarrow_{NH_2} \\
& \searrow_{NF_3} & \longrightarrow_{NH_3(i)} \\
& \searrow_{NH_2} & \longrightarrow_{NH_2}
\end{array}$$

Y. Kobayashi, I. Kumadaki, S. Taguchi, Y. Hanzawa, Tetrahedron Letters 1970, 11, 3901

F. W. Bergstrom, H. G. Sturz, H. W. Tracy, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1945, 11, 239

Chugaev Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

less substituted alkene

A cis elimination, often providing the least substituted alkene.

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 42-44; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1330; H. R. Nace, *Organic Reactions* 12, 2.

Starting Material Preparation:

See the related Grieco-Sharpless Elimination.

Examples:

T. M. Meulemans, G. A. Stork, F. Z. Macaev, B. J. M. Jansen, A. deGroot, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1999**, <u>64</u>, 9178

H. Nakagawa, T. Sugahara, K. Ogasawara, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 3181

D. J. Cram and F. A. A. Elhafez, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1952, 74, 5828

G. Cernigliano, P. Kocienski, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1977, 42, 3622

X. Fu, C. M. Cook, Tetrahedron Letters 1990, 31, 3409

Ciamician-Dennstedt Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

empty p-orbital

Cl

Two electrons

$$Cl$$
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The Skattebol Rearrangement is another dihalocarbene-based rearrangement:

Br MeLi
$$4\sqrt{3}$$
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K. H. Holm, L. Skattebol, Tetrahedron Letters 1977, 18, 2347

L. A. Paquette, M. Gugelchuk, M. L. McLaughlin, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1987, 52, 4372

Examples:

F. DeAngelis, A. Inesi, M. Feroci, R. Nicoletti, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1995, 60, 445

K. C. Joshi, R. Jain, S. Arora, Journal of the Indian Chemical Society 1993, 70, 567 (AN 1994:508439)

E. R. Alexander, A. B. Herrick, T. M. Roder, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1950, 72, 2760

W. E. Parham, R. W. Davenport, J. B. Biasotti, Tetrahedron Letters 1969, 10, 557

Ph-Hg-CX₃ are known as **Seyferth Reagents**.

Claisen Condensation (ester attacking ester)

The Reaction:

R
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OR'
$$\begin{array}{cccc}
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R &$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

R" is usually a group that cannot form an enolate, such as a phenyl ring.

It is important to note that an equivalent of base must be used for this reaction; unlike the <u>Aldol</u> **Condensation**, this cannot be used catalytically.

See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 45-48.

Aldehyde or ketone attacking ester

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ R \\ R \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ R' \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ R' \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ \end{array}$$

R" is usually a group that cannot form an enolate.

Examples:

COOEt
$$+ \text{ EtOOC-COOEt} \qquad \underbrace{\frac{\text{NaOEt}}{\text{toluene, Et}_2\text{O}}}_{\text{COOEt}} \qquad \underbrace{\frac{\text{COOEt}}{\text{COOEt}}}_{\text{COOEt}}$$

L. Friedman, E. Kosower, Organic Syntheses, CV3, 510

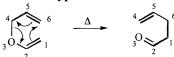
A. G. Cameron, A. T. Hewson, M. I. Osammur Tetrahedron Letters 1984, 25, 2267

J. W. Cornforth, R. H. Cornforth, Journal of the Chemical Society 1948, 93

B. P. Mundy, D. Wilkening, K. B. Lipkowitz Journal of Organic Chemistry 1985, 50, 5727

Claisen, Cope and Related Rearrangements

Claisen-Type Reactions:

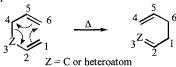


Cope-Type Reactions:



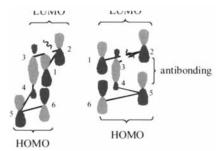
Notes:

All reactions are classified as [3,3]-sigmatropic reactions. They are orbital symmetry regulated processes.



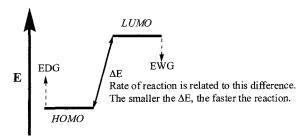
By Frontier Molecular Orbital theory several important predictions can be made:

1. There will be a preferred chair transition-state for the reaction:



In the boat transition-state there is an antibonding interaction between C-2 and C-5.

2. Reactions will be accelerated by charged intermediates:



Claisen and Related Rearrangements

This reaction has developed a number of related protocols and variations. Some have earned sufficient recognition to act as "stand alone" reactions and will be found under their own headings in this monograph.

Carroll Rearrangement (Kimel-Cope Rearrangement)

 β -keto esters can rearrange to give β -keto acids which will decarboxylate to give δ,γ -unsaturated ketones.

Claisen-Arnold Reaction:

Enolate formation with an allyl ester can give 2-substituted carboxylic acids.

HO HO R O R BuLi O R H
$$\oplus$$
 HO R

Claisen-Eschenmoser Reaction (Eschenmoser-Claisen Rearrangement):

Amides are produced after rearrangement with heating.

MeO
$$NR_2$$
 $A = \frac{1}{40}$
 $A = \frac{1}{5}$
 $A = \frac{1}{10}$
 A

Claisen-Ireland Reaction (Ireland-Claisen Rearrangement):

Formation of a silyl enol ether will generate an allyl vinyl ether which after rearrangement can be desilylated to give a carboxylic acid.

Dauben-Dietsche Rearrangement:

$$\bigcap_{O} \longrightarrow \left[\bigcap_{O}\right] \longrightarrow \bigcap_{H}$$

Denmark Rearrangement:

The Claisen rearrangement of phenyl sulfonyl substituted allyl vinyl ethers.

$$O$$
 SO_2Ph
 O
 SO_2Ph

Johnson-Claisen Rearrangement (Johnson Orthoester Rearrangement)

Elimination of two equivalents of ROH after condensation between an allyl alcohol and an orthoester will provide the allyl vinyl ether which undergoes the [3,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement.

Marbet-Saucy Reaction / Variation

A vinyl ether and allyl alcohol will react under acidic conditions to give the allyl vinyl ether which then rearranges under the reaction conditions.

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Cope and Related Reactions

Aza-Cope Rearrangement



Azo-Cope Rearrangement

$$\begin{bmatrix} N_{N} & A & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \end{bmatrix}^{N} R^{"}$$

Cope Rearrangement

Oxy-Cope Rearrangement

Claisen Rearrangement (allyl phenyl ethers)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism: a [3.3]-sigmatropic rearrangement

keto-enol tautomerism

Note that the pi-system of the allyl group is readily aligned over the aromatic ring, providing a 1,5-diene motif for the sigmatropic rearrangement.

Notes:

If the ortho-positions are blocked (only one shown, below), rearrangement continues:

Simple [1,3]-rearrangements have been observed:

F. X. Talams, D. B. Smith, A. Cervantes, F. Franco, S. T. Cutler, D. G. Loughhead, D. J. Morgans, Jr., R. J. Weikert *Tetrahedron Letters* **1997**, <u>38</u>, 4725

Examples:

D. B. Smith, T. R. Elworthy, D. J. Morgns, Jr., J. T. Lenson, J. W. Patterson, A. Vasquez, A. M. Waltos, *Tetrahedron Letters* **1996**, 37, 21

Me O O OH
$$Ar-O_2S$$
 N SO_2 - Ar OH OH NEt_3 , CH_2Cl_2 $89%$

*Reagent used for the enantioselective rearrangement:

(S,S)-2-Bromo-4,5-diphenyl-1,3-tosyl-1,3-diaza-2-borolidine H. Ito, A. Sato, T. Taguchi, *Tetrahedron Letters* **1997**, 38, 4815

J. Barluenga, R. Sanz, F. J. Fananas, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 6103

S. Lambrecht, H. J. Schaefer, R. Froehlich, M. Grehl, Synlett, 1996, 283 (AN 1996:201759)

Claisen Rearrangement (allyl vinyl ethers)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See: Claisen, Cope and Related Rearrangements

Ficini-Ynamine-Claisen Rearrangement

HO

$$R''$$
 R''
 R''

J. A. Mulder, R. P. Hsung, M. O. Frederick, M. R. Tracey, C. A. Zificsak, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 1383

Examples:

J.-P. Begue, D. Bonnet-Delpon, S.-W. Wu, A. M'Bida, T. Shintani, T. Nakai, Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 2907

L. A. Paquette, S.-Q. Sun, D. Friedrich, P. G. Savage, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1997, <u>119</u>, 8438

$$\underbrace{\frac{\text{H. 5 eq } i\text{-BuAl, CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}{2. \text{ (COCl)}_2, \text{DMSO, Et}_3\text{N, CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}}_{\text{I. 5 eq } i\text{-BuAl, CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}\underbrace{\frac{\text{H. 5 eq } i\text{-BuAl, CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}{2. \text{ (COCl)}_2, \text{DMSO, Et}_3\text{N, CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}}_{\text{II}}$$

C. M. G. Philippo, V. Nha Huu, L. A. Paquette, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1991, 113, 2762

Y. Masuyama, Y. Nimura, Y. Jurusu, Tetrahedron Letters 1992, 33, 6477

$$OBn$$
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E. Marotta, P. Righi, G. Rosini, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 4145

T. V. Ovaska, S. E. Reisman, M. A. Flynn, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 115

Clemmensen Reduction

The Reaction:

Aldehydes and Ketones

Proposed Mechanism:

This mechanism is not yet resolved. There are a number of possibilities:

1. O
$$Z_{n(Hg)}$$
 Z_{nCl} Z_{nCl} Z_{nCl} Z_{nCl} Z_{nCl} Z_{nCl}

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 52-53; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1547; E. L. Martin, *Organic Reactions* 1, 7; E. Vedejs, *Organic Reactions* 22, 3.

Other mechanistic interpretations:

Zn-carbene: J. Burdon, R. C. Price, Chemical Communications 1986, 893
One electron transfer: M. L. DiVona, V. Ruanati, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1991, 56, 4269

Examples:

F. J. C. Martins, L. Fourie, H. J. Venter, P. L. Wessels Tetrahedron 1990, 46, 623

Me OMe
$$Et_2O$$
 Me OMe 40%

I. Elphimoff-Felkin, P. Sarda, Tetrahedron Letters 1983, 24, 4425

S. K. Talapatra, S. Chakrabarti, A. K. Mallik, B. Talapatra, Tetrahedron 1990, 46, 6047

J. B. Thomas, K. M. Gigstad, S. E. Fix, J. P. Burgess, J. B. Cooper, S. W. Mascarella, B. E. Cantrell, D. M. Zimmerman, F. I. Carroll, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1999, 40, 403

J. A. R. Salvador, M. L. SaeMelo, A. S. Campos Neves Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 361

K. M. Werner, J. M. de los Santos, S. M. Weinreb, M. Shang, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 686

Collman Carbonylation Reaction

The Reaction

Proposed Mechanism:

J. P. Collman, Accounts of Chemical Research 1975, 8, 342

Notes:

Reagent preparation:

K- Selectride

Collman's Reagent

For an alternative approach: A. Schoenberg, R. F. Heck, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1974, 96, 7761

$$R-X + CO + H_2 \xrightarrow{PdX_2(PPh_3)_2} O + HX$$

Examples:

D. Bankston, F. Fang, E. Huie, S. Xie, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 3461

K. Yoshida, H. Kuwata, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1 1996, 1873

R. G. Finke, T. N. Sorrel, Organic Synthesis CV6, 807

Br
$$\frac{1. \text{ K}_2\text{Fe(CO)}_4}{2. \text{ PPh}_3}$$

$$3. \text{ AcOH}$$

$$100\%$$

J. A. Gladysz, W. Tam, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1978, 43, 2279

Combes Quinoline Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$Z$$
 NH_2
 $+ O$
 R
 H_2SO_4
 Z
 R
 $+ 2 H_2O$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The rate of cyclization is enhanced when Z = EDG. G. R. Newkome, W. W. Paudler, *Contemporary Heterocyclic Chemistry*, John Wiley and Sons, New York, 1982, p. 203

J. L. Born, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1972**, <u>37</u>, 3952 provides mechanistic insight based on deuterium incorporation.

Examples:

$$\bigcap_{NH_2} + \bigcap_{H} \bigcap_{H} \bigcap_{H} PPA$$

L. Takeuchi, M. Ushida, Y. Hamada, T. Yuzure, H. Suezawa, M. Hirota, *Heterocycles* 1995, 41, 2221 (AN 1996:201759)

A. Baba, N. Kawamura, H. Makino, Y. Ohta, S. Taketome, T. Sohda, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* **1996**, <u>39</u>, 5176

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J. L. Born, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1972, 37, 3952

J.-C. Perche, G. Saint-Ruf, N. P. Buu-Hoi, Journal of the Chemical Society Perkin Transactions 1 1972, 260

Conrad-Limpach Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & OR \\
 & OH \\
 & NH_2 + O \\
 & OR \\
 & H^{\bigoplus} \\
 & N \\
 & R' + HOR
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See the very similar <u>Knorr Quinoline Reaction</u>, conducted with the same reagents at elevated temperatures.

Examples:

and aromatization

$$N_{NH_2}$$
 + N_{Me} N_{OMe} N_{OMe} N_{NH_2} N_{NH_2}

A. C. Veronese, R. Callegari, D. F. Morelli, Tetrahedron 1995, 51, 12227

D. R. Sliskovic, J. A. Picard, W. H. Roark, B. D. Roth, E. Ferguson, B. R. Krause, R. S. Newton, C. Sekerke, M. K. Shaw, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* **1991**, <u>34</u>, 267

L. A. Bastiaansen, J. A. M. V. Schijndel, H. M. Buck, Organic Preparations and Procedures International 1988, 20, 102 (AN 1998:510222)

B. Staskun, S. S. Isrealstam, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1961, 26, 3191

$$NH_2$$
 + NH_2 O O O HCl NN Me NH_2 N Me N Me

C. E. Kaslow, M. M. Marsh, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1947, 12, 456

Cope Elimination (Reaction)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See: M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1322-1326; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 54-56; A. C. Cope, E. R. Trumbull, *Organic Reactions* 11, 5.

Starting Material Preparation:

Alternate Starting Materials:

Examples:

K.-H. Lee, S.-H. Kim, H. Furukawa, C. Piantadosi, E.-S. Huang, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* **1975**, <u>18</u>, 59

I. A. O'Neil, E. Cleator, V. E. Ramos, A. P. Chorlton, D.J. Topolczay, *Tetrahedron Letters* 2004, 45, 3655

C. A. Grob, H. Kny, A. Gagneux, Helvetica Chimica Acta 1957, 40, 130 (AN 1958:20977)

E. J. Corey, M. C. Desai, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 5747

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L. D. Quin, J. Leimert, E. D. Middlemass, R. W. Miller, A. T. McPhail, *Journal of Organic Chemis*try **1979** <u>44</u>, 3496

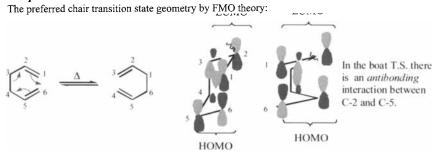
A. G. Martinez, E. T. Vilar, A. G. Fraile, S. de la Moya Cereo, B. L. Maroto, *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry* **2002**, <u>13</u>, 17

Cope Rearrangement

The Reaction:



Proposed Mechanism:



T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 56-59.

Notes:

See Claisen, Cope and Related Rearrangements.

An interesting study of competing pathways:

P. A. Wender, R. J. Ternansky, S. McN. Sieburth, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 4319

Examples:

H. M. L. Davies, B. D. Doan, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 3967

G. Jomme, F. Orsini, M. Resmini, M. Sisti, Tetrahedron Letters 1991, 32, 6969

N. Kato, H. Takeshita, S. Tanaka, H. Kataoka, *Journal of the Chemical Society Perkin: Transactions 1* **1989**, 1833

A. M. Adio, C. Paul, P. Kloth, W. A. König, Phytochemistry 2002, 65, 199

Corey-Bakshi-Shibata (CBS Reduction)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

For a discussion of the reaction, see D. J. Mathre, I. Shinkai, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., NewYork, 1995, 7, 4767

Enationselectivity for the reduction improves as the size differential of the groups on the carbonyl increases.

Examples:

T. Takemoto, K. Nakajima, Y. Iio, M. Tamura, T. Nishi, Tetrahedron Asymmetry 1999, 10, 1787

J. Mulzer, M. Berger, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 803

C. B. de Koning, R.-G. F. Giles, I. R. Green, N. M. Jahed, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 4199

G. Bringmann, M. Breuning, P. Henschel, J. Hinrichs, Organic Syntheses, 79, 72

Corey-Chaykovsky Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c} CH_3 \\ H_2C = \stackrel{\circ}{S} = O \\ CH_3 \\ \downarrow \\ CH_3 \\ CH_3 \\ \downarrow \\ CH_3 \\ CH_3 \\ \downarrow \\ CH_3 \\ CH_3 \\ \downarrow \\ CH_3 \\ CH_3 \\ \downarrow \\ CH_3 \\ CH_3 \\ \downarrow \\ CH_3 \\ CH_3 \\ \downarrow \\ CH_3 \\ CH_3 \\ \downarrow \\ CH_3 \\ CH_3 \\ \downarrow \\ CH_3 \\ \downarrow$$

Notes:

See: Corey-Chaykovsky Reagent.

A chiral approach: See V. K. Aggarwal C. L. Winn, Accounts of Chemical Research 2004, 37, 611 chiral catalyst

$$R-CHO + BnBr \xrightarrow{*R} \xrightarrow{*R} \xrightarrow{R} \qquad R \xrightarrow{\circ} R^* \qquad R \xrightarrow{\circ} R^*$$

Examples of chiral sulfide catalysts:

Examples:

C. F. D. Amigo, I. G. Collado, J. R. Hanson, R. Hernandez-Galan, P. B. Hitchcock, A. J. Macias-Sanchez, D. J. Mobbs, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2001**, <u>66</u>, 4327

K. Hantawong, W. S. Murphy, N. Russell, D. R. Boyd, Tetrahedron Letters 1984, 25, 999

A novel-in-situ preparation of an epoxidation reaction (Simmons-Smith Epoxidation):

RCHO

$$R_2S$$
 $EtZnCl$
 $EtZnCH_2Cl$
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This reaction is useful for base-sensitive aldehydes; no epimerization.

V. K. Aggarwal, M. P. Coogan, R. A. Stenson, R. V. H. Jones, R. Fieldhouse, J. Blacker, *European Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2002**, 319

A polymer-bound reagent:

M. K. W. Choi, P. H. Toy, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 2875

Corey-Fuchs Reaction

The Reaction:

E. J. Corey, P. L. Fuchs, Tetrahedron Letters 1972, 36, 3769

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

This is an alkyne-analog of the <u>Wittig reaction</u>. Since organocopper chemistry finds utility in converting the C-Br bond to other alkyl groups, we show only the first part of the transformation in most examples.

See: Fritsch-Buttenberg-Wiechell Rearrangement.

protic workup

The Seyferth Protocol: is another method for the conversion:

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{CHO} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Ph}_{3}\text{P, CBr}_{4} \\ \text{85\%} \\ \text{Me} \\ \end{array}$$

Y. Mizuno, R. Mori, H. Irie, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1 1982, 2849

A. B. Smith, S. S.-Y. Chen, F. C. Nelson, J. M. Reichert, B. A. Salvatore, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1995, <u>117</u>, 12013

It was reported that these were just two of nice steps with average yield of 90% W. C. Still, J. C. Barrish, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1983**, <u>105</u>, 2487

W. H. Okamura, G.-D. Zhu, D. K. Hill, R. J. Thomas, K. Ringe, D. B. Borchardt, A. W. Norman, L. J. Mueller, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2002**, <u>67</u>, 1637

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CHO & \\ \hline Ph_3P \\ \hline CBr_4 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

K. H. H. Fabian, A. H. M. Elwahy, K. Hafner, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 2855

Corey-Gilman-Ganem Oxidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

E. J. Corey, N. W. Gilman, B. E. Ganem, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1968, 90, 5616

Examples:

E. J. Corey, N. W. Gilman, B. E. Ganem, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1968, 90, 5616

G. E. Keck, T. T. Wagner, J. F. D. Rodriguez, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1999, 121, 5176

H. Yamamoto, T. Oritani, Tetrahedron Letters 1995, 36, 5797

D. L. Boger, S. E. Wolkenberg, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 9120

D. B. Berkowitz, S. Choi, J.-H. Maeng, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 847

Corey-House-Posner-Whitesides Reaction

The Reaction:

$$X = \text{Me}_2\text{CuLi}$$
 $X = \text{halogen or tosylate}$
 $X = \text{Me}_2\text{CuLi}$
 $X = \text{Me}_2\text{CuLi}$
 $X = \text{Me}_2\text{CuLi}$
 $X = \text{Me}_2\text{CuLi}$

Proposed Mechanism:

See: N. Yoshikai, N. Eiichi, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2004**, <u>126</u>, 12264 for a mechanistic discussion of the reaction at sp₂ centers.

Notes

The reagent is most likely a more complex species.

When X = tosylate there is evidence of a direct $S_N 2$ displacement with inversion of stereochemistry.

The general reaction of R₂CuLi is often included in this class.

Examples:

S. Hanessian, N. G. Cooke, B. DeHoff, Y. Sakito Journal of the American Chemical Society 1990, 112, 5276

Me-S OTBDPS
$$R_2$$
CuLi Me-S OTBDPS

$$R = Me \quad 83\%$$

$$R = Bu \quad 72\%$$

$$R = Allyl \quad 98\%$$

S. Hanessian, B. Thavonekham, B. DeHoff, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 5831

B. D. Johnstone, A. C. Oelschlager, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1982, 47, 5384

T. Wakamatsu, H. Nakamura, M. Taniguchi, Y. Ban, Tetrahedron Letters 1986, 27, 6071

D. Caine, A. S. Frobese, V. C. Ukachukwu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1983, 48, 740

Corey-Link Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\stackrel{H}{R} \stackrel{OH}{\swarrow}_{CCl_3} \quad \stackrel{NaN_3, \, base}{\stackrel{ROH}{\longrightarrow}} \quad \stackrel{H}{\stackrel{R}{\nearrow}}_{N_3}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

$$\begin{matrix} OR' & & OR' \\ R & & O \\ N_3 & \text{is "equivalent" to:} & \begin{matrix} OR' \\ R \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} OR' \\ NH_2 \end{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

See a similar mechanistic reaction in the Bargellini Reaction:

Starting material preparation:

Examples:

M. H. Sorensen, C. Nielsen, P. Nielsen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 4878

C. Pedregal, W. Prowse, Bioorganic and Medicinal Chemistry Letters 2002, 10, 433

OH
$$CCl_3$$
 NaOH, NaN $_3$ CO_2H H_2 , Pd/C CO_2H OV OV ee when DBU is the base used, 62%, 99% ee

C. Mellin-Morliere, D. J. Aitken, S. D. Bull, S. G. Davies, H.-P. Husson, *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry* 2001, 12, 149

$$CO_2Me$$
 OCO_2Me OCO_2Me OCO_2Me OCO_2He OCO_2He OCO_2He OCO_2He OCO_2He

S. R. Baker, T. C. Hancox, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 781

Corey-Nicoloau Macrocyclization

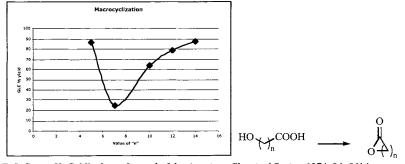
The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

This thiopyridyl ester uniquely activates the carbonyl as well as the hydroxyl group by proton exchange.

Notes:

See: Macrolactonization Methods



E. J. Corey, K. C. Nicolaou, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1974, 96, 5614

Examples:

A. Fernandez, E. M. M. de la Nava, R. R. Gonzalez, Journal of Organic Chemistry, 2001, 66, 7632

T. Sasaki, M. Inoue, M. Hirama, Tetrahedron Letters, 2001, 42, 5299

E. J. Corey, K. C. Nicoloau, L. S. Melvin, Jr., Journal of the American Chemical Society 1975, 97, 653

E. J. Corey, K. C. Nicoloau, L. S. Melvin, Jr., Journal of the American Chemical Society, 1975, 97, 653

Corey-Seebach Reaction

The Reaction:

Alkylation can take place twice.

Proposed Mechanism:

Adjacent sulfur atoms allow the methylene protons to be acidic.

Notes:

Although the five-ring analog is easily prepared, it is not useful for the transformation due to the tendency for base-induced decomposition:

$$R = \begin{cases} S \\ S \end{cases} + \begin{cases} S \\ S \end{cases}$$

See: A. B. Smith, III, C. M. Adams, Accounts of Chemical Research 2004, 37, 365 for an excellent tour through the authors' use of the dithiane-based chemistry for the construction of complex molecules.

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
S \\
S \\
S \\
\hline
\end{array}
 + \begin{array}{c}
\end{array}
 + \begin{array}{c}
\end{array}
 & \begin{array}{c}
\end{array}$$

P. Gros, P. Hansen, P. Caubere, Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 15147

Y. Horikawa, M. Watanabe, T. Fujiwara, T. Takeda, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1997, 119, 1127

A. S. Pilcher, P. Deshong, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 6901

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
S & \underline{BuLi} \\
S & \underline{Ph} & \underline{Ph} & \underline{1.BuLi} \\
\hline
 & & 67\%
\end{array}$$

E. Juaristi, B. Gordillo, L. Valle, Tetrahedron 1986, 42, 1963

M. H. B. Stowell, R. S. Rock, D. C. Rees, S. I. Chan, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 307

Corey-Winter Olefination

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 59-61; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1340; E. Block, *Organic Reactions* 30, 2

Notes:

A modification is the Corey-Hopkins olefination. See Tetrahedron Letters, 1982, 23, 1979:

J. Dressel, K. L. Chasey, L. A. Paquette, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1988, 110, 5479

Examples:

Y. Saito, T. A. Zevaco, L. A. Agrofoglio, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 9593

M. F. Semmelhack, J. Gallagher, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 4121

Y. Kuwatani, T. Yoshida, A. Kusaka, M. Iyoda, Tetrahedron Letter 2000, 41, 359

S. H.-L. Koc, C. C. Lee, T. K. M. Shing, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 7184

Cornforth Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

First reported base-catalyzed Cornforth equilibrium.

D. R. Williams, E. L. McClymont, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 7705

Examples:

G. L'Abbe, A.-M. Llisiu, W. Dehaen, S. Toppett, Journal of the Chemical Society Perkin Transactions 1 1993, 2259

I. J. Turchi, C. A. Maryanoff, Synthesis 1983, 837

M. J. S. Dewar, I. K. Turchi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1975, 40, 1521

Curtius Rearrangement / Reaction / Degradation

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ R \end{array} \begin{array}{c} + \text{ NaN}_3 \\ \text{Sodium azide} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H_2O \\ R'OH \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ R'O \\ R'OH \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ R'O \\ R'OH \end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

To this point has been called the Curtius Rearrangement / Reaction

OR with no nitrene...

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 61-63; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1412-1413; P. A. S. Smith, *Organic Reactions* 3, 9.

Alternate Starting Material:

As with the Hofmann, Schmidt and Lossen Rearrrangements, there is a common isocyanate intermediate.

Examples:

I. Beria, M. Nesi, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 7323

TBSO O O TBS
$$\frac{1. \text{ DIPEA, } i\text{-BuO}_2\text{CCl}}{2. \text{ NaN}_3}$$
 $\frac{2. \text{ NaN}_3}{3. \text{ toluene, } \Delta}$ $\frac{4. \text{ HO-(CH}_2)_2\text{-TMS}}{86\%}$

A. B. Smith, III, J. Zheng, Tetrahedron 2002, 43, 7323

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & & & & \\ &$$

Y. Lu, R. T. Taylor, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44 9267

Cl S COOH
$$\frac{\text{NaN}_3 \cdot 66\%}{\text{2. OOM}} = \frac{1. \text{ Oxalyl chloride, CHCl}_3, \text{ NaN}_3 \cdot 66\%}{\text{2. ON-NH}_2 \cdot \text{NH}_2 \cdot \text{NH}_2} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}} \cdot \text{NH}_{\text{NN}} \cdot \text{NH}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}} \cdot \text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}} \cdot \text{NH}_{\text{NN}} \cdot \text{NH}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}} \cdot \text{NH}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}} \cdot \text{NH}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} = \frac{\text{Cl}_{\text{NN}}}{\text{NH}_{\text{NN}}} =$$

S. D. Larsen, C. F. Stachew, P. M. Clare, J. W. Cubbage, K. L. Leach *Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry Letters* 2003, <u>13</u>, 3491

Dakin Reaction

The Reaction:

The reaction requires an -OH or -NH $_2$ in the ortho or para position. R = H or Me

Proposed Mechanism:

(The ketone oxygen is bolded to demonstrate labeling studies.)

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1528; V. K. Ahluwalia, R. K. Parashar, *Organic Reaction Mechanisms*, Alpha Science International Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, pp. 432-433

Peroxy acids (Baeyer-Villiger Reaction) can provide the same products.

Hydroperoxide Rearrangement

Examples:

G. W. Kabalka, N. K. Reddy, C. Narayana, Tetrahedron Letters 1992, 33, 865

$$_{\mathrm{HO}}$$
 $_{\mathrm{H_{2}N}}^{\mathrm{CHO}}$ $_{\mathrm{NH_{2}}}^{\mathrm{H_{2}N}}$ $_{\mathrm{NH_{2}}}^{\mathrm{OH}}$

R. S. Varma, K. P. Naiker, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 189

M. E. Jung, T. I. Lazarova, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 1553

P. Wipf, S. M. Lynch, Organic Letters, 2003, 5, 1155

G. W. Kabalka, N. K. Reddy, C. Narayana, Tetrahedron Letters 1992, 33, 865

Danheiser Annulation

The Reactions:

$$\begin{bmatrix} R & O \\ & + \\ Z & R' \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R''} \begin{bmatrix} R''' \\ & & Z \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R'''} \begin{bmatrix} OH \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\$$

A number of examples are presented

Proposed Mechanisms:

R. L. Danheiser, S. K. Gee, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1984, 49, 1672

Examples:

R. L. Danheiser, D. M. Fink, Y.-M. Tsai, Organic Synthesis 1988, 66, 8

R. L. Danheiser, D. J. Carini, A. Basak, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1981, 103, 1604

R. L. Danheiser, D. J. Carini, D. M. Fink, A. Basak Tetrahedron, 1983, 39, 935

A. B. Smith, III, C. M. Adams, S. A. Kozmin, D. V. Paone, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2001**, <u>123</u>, 5925

Darzens Condensation (Darzens-Claisen Reaction, Darzens Glycidic Ester Condensation)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$RO \xrightarrow{H} \xrightarrow{Base} RO \xrightarrow{R'} X \xrightarrow{R''} RO \xrightarrow{R''}$$

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 71-72; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1230; M. S. Newman, B. J. Magerlein, *Organic Reactions* 5, 10.

One possible extension:

RO
$$H_{2O}$$
 H_{2O} H_{2O}

$$\begin{array}{c} H \\ \downarrow 0 \\ \downarrow H \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ \downarrow 0 \\ \downarrow H \end{array}$$

In a reaction with enones:

Examples:

83-95%

R. Hunt, L. Chinn, W. Johnson, Organic Syntheses CV4, 459

F. E. Anderson, H. Luna, T. Hudlicky, L. Radesca, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1986, 51, 4746

S. Danishefsky, S. Chackalamannil, P. Harrison, M. Silvestri, P. Cole, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1985**, <u>107</u>, 2474

J. G. Bauman, R. C. Hawley, H. Rapoport, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1984, 49, 3791

de Mayo Reaction

The Reaction:

OH O

$$R''$$
 R''
 R''

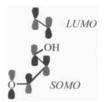
Proposed Mechanism:

The orientation of the alkene is dictated by the identity of the R groups.

Notes:

The reaction can be a ring expansion:

$$\bigcap_{OH}^{+} \bigcap_{R^{iv}}^{R^{iv}} \xrightarrow{hv} \bigcap_{O}^{R^{iv}}^{R^{iv}} \longrightarrow \bigcap_{R^{iv}}^{R^{iv}}$$



Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & & \\
\hline
NO_2 & & \\
\hline
NO_2 & & \\
\hline
\end{array}$$

T. M. Qaevillon, A. C. Weedon, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 3939

R. Kaczmarek, S. Blechert, Tetrahedron Letters 1986, 27, 2845

D. E. Minter, C. D. Winslow, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2004, 69, 603

Dess-Martin Oxidation

The Reaction:

1° or 2° alcohols

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1516; F. A. Luzzio, *Organic Reactions* **53**, 1.

This reaction is noted for its mildness.

Reagent Preparation: D. B. Dess, J. C. Martin, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1983 48, 4155

2-Iodoxybenzoic acid (IBX) is also a useful oxidizing reagent. Insoluble in most solvents (except DMSO) it can be used with other cosolvent mixtures.

See **Dess-Martin Reagent** and **IBX Reagent**.

Examples:

M. Mori, T. Tomita, Y. Kita, T. Kitamura, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 4397

See: Bmim

J. S. Yadav, B. V. S. Reddy, A. K. Basak, A. Venkat Narsaiah, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 2131

K. Suenaga, K. Araki, T. Sengoku, D. Uemura, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 527

Y.-F. Lu, A. G. Fallis, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 3367

P. A. Wender, S. G. Hegde, R. D. Hubbard, L. Zhang, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 4956

Dieckmann Condensation / Cyclization / Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

The product remains an enolate until protic workup.

Notes:

V. K. Ahluwalia, R. K. Parashar, *Organic Reaction Mechanisms*, Alpha Science International Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, pp. 308-309; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 569-570; C. R. Hauser, B. E. Hudson, Jr., *Organic Reactions* 1, 9; J. P. Schaefer, J. J. Bloomfield, *Organic Reactions*, 15, 1.

Regiochemistry Issues:

P. Compain, J. Gore, J.-M. Vatele, Synthetic Communications 1995, 25, 3075 (AN 1995:752767)

Kinetic vs. Thermodynamic Control:

F. Duus, Tetrahedron 1981, 57, 2633

Examples:

D. P. Provencal, J. W. Leahy, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1994, 59, 5496

W. Zhu, D. Ma, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 5063

L. A. Paquette, H.-L. Wang, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 5352

- P. S. Pinkney, Organic Syntheses, CV2, 116
- F. Toda, T. Suzuki, S. Higa, Journal of the Chemical Society: Perkin Transactions 1 1988, 3207

Diels-Alder Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

This is a [4+2] concerted reaction. Bonds are broken and formed simultaneously, however, the arrows shown below are usually used to illustrate the mechanism.

The smaller the ΔE , the faster the reaction. Therefore, electron donating groups on the diene and/or electron withdrawing groups on the dieneophile will accelerate the reaction.

Although FMO theory shows the reaction to be a ground-state process, photochemical reactions with a trans-ring juncture product have been observed. This has been attributed to an excited state isomerization of the ene-portion followed by a ground state *Diels-Alder reaction*:

H. Dorr, V. H. Rawal, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1999, 121, 10229

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 78-85; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1062-1075; M. C. Klotzel, *Organic Reactions* 4, 1; E. Ciganek, *Organic Reactions* 32, 1.

Notes:

The reverse reaction can also be performed, particularly if one or both fragments are stable.

Boger Heterocycle Synthesis

D. L. Boger, J. S. Panek, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1981, 46, 2179

The *Diels-Alder Reaction* can be used in a number of creative ways. For example, extremely reactive dienes can be generated by thermal cycloreversion reactions:

H. Pellissier, M. Santelli, Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 9093

C. W. Jefford, G. Bernardinelli, Y. Wang, D. C. Spellmeyer, A. Buda, K. N. Houk, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1992**, <u>114</u>, 1157

The driving force for the *Diels-Alder reaction* is, in part, due to the rearomatization process. Fluoride-induced elimination creates the same opportunity:

Y. Ito, M. Nakatsuka, T. Saeguso Journal of the American Chemical Society 1982, 104, 7609

Extrusion of SO₂ provides a unique opportunity for diene preparation: Because of the sulfoxide influence, substitution at these positions quite easy.

J. Leonard, A. B. Hague, G. Harms, M. F. Jones, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 8141

T. Heiner, S. I. Kozhushkov, M. Noltemeyer, T. Hauman, R. Boese, A. DeMeijere, *Tetrahedron* 1996, <u>52</u>, 12185

M. Toyota, T. Wada, Y. Nishikawa, K. Yanai, K. Fukumoto, C. Kabuto, Tetrahedron 1995, 51, 6927

B. M. Trost, M. Lautens, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1983, 105, 3345

A. B. Smith, III, N. J. Liverton, N. J. Hrib, H. Sivaramakrishnan, K. Winzenberg, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1985, <u>50</u>, 3239

J. M. Whitney, J. S. Parner, K. J. Shea, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 8962

D. L. Comins, C. A. Brooks, R. S. Al-awar, R. R. Goehring, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 229

T. L. S. Kishbaugh, G. W. Gribble Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 4783

Dienone-Phenol Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$\bigcap_{R=R}^{O} \quad \xrightarrow{H^{\bigoplus}} \quad \bigcap_{R}^{OH}$$

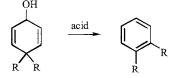
Proposed Mechanism:

See: V. P. Vitullo, N. Grossman, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1972, 94 3844

Notes:

If the R-groups are different, product mixtures to be expected.

Dienol-Benzene Rearrangement



A dienone preparation:

Zincke-Suhl Reaction

The Reaction:

Examples:

A. Planas, J. Tomas, J.-J. Bonet, Tetrahedron Letters 1978, 28, 471

A. Sandoval, L. Miramontes, G. Rosenkranz, C. Djerassi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1951, 73, 990

A. J. Waring, Tetrahedron Letters 1975, 12, 172

P. J. Kropp, Tetrahedron Letters 1963, 4, 1671

S. Kodama, H. Takita, T. Kajimoto, K. Nishide, M. Node, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 4901

Doebner Reaction (Beyer Synthesis, Beyer Method for Quinolines)

The Reaction:

$$NH_2$$
 + NH_2 NH_2 + NH_2 $NH_$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Doebner-von Miller Reaction

The Reaction: V. K. Ahluwalia, R. K. Parashar, Organic Reaction Mechanisms, Alpha Science International Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, p. 314

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

G. J. Atwell, B. C. Baguley, W. A Denny, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 1989, 32, 396

G. A. Epling, K. Y. Lin *Journal of Heterocyclic Chemistry* 1987, 24, 853 (AN 1998: 55860) See also: G. SA. Epling, A. A. Provatas, *Chemical Communications* 2002, 1036

D. J. Bhatt, G. C. Kamdar, A. R. Parikh Journal of the Indian Chemical Society 1984, 61, 816 (AN 1985:453938)

Dondoni Homologation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Hydrolysis to aldehyde product:
$$X \ominus Me$$
 $Me - X$
 $N OH$
 $NaBH_4$
 $NaBH$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ &$$

A. Dondoni, G. Fantin, M. Fogagnolo, A. Medici, P. Pedrini, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1989, 54, 693

A. Dondoni, G. Fantin, M. Fogagnolo, A. Medici, P. Pedrini, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 5477

Notes:

Rationalization of stereochemistry for addition given by:

Examples:

A. K. Ghosh, A. Bischoff, J. Cappiello, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2677

J. Marco-Contelles, E. de Opazo, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 3705

A. Wagner, M. Mollath, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 619

A. Dondoni, G. Fantin, M. Fogagnolo, A. Medici, P. Pedrini, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1989, 54, 693

Dötz Reaction

The Reaction:

vinyl or aromatic alkoxy pentacarbonyl chromium carbene complex

and sometimes the regioisomer for unsymmetrical alkynes

Proposed Mechanism:

Proposed MeChanism:

$$Cr(CO)_5$$
 $Cr(CO)_4$
 $Cr(CO)_4$
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 $Cr(CO)_4$
 $Cr(CO)_4$
 $Cr(CO)_4$
 $Cr(CO)_4$
 $Cr(CO)_3$
 $Cr(CO)_4$
 $Cr(CO)_3$
 R'
 $Cr(CO)_3$

Notes:

See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 88-91. These authors note that there is poor regioselectivity for non-symmetrical alkynes.

Often the product is directly oxidized:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
OH & O \\
\hline
II & Cr(CO)_3 & CAN \\
OMe & O
\end{array}$$

The starting material can be prepared:

Examples:

S. R. Pulley, B. Czako, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 5511

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & OMe & OMe \\ \hline \\ OMe & & heat \\ \hline \\ OMe & & 65\% \end{array}$$

J. C. Anderson, J. W. Cran, N. P. King Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 3849

W. R. Roush, R. J. Neitz, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2004, 69, 4906

Dowd-Beckwith Ring Expansion

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Azo-bis-isobutyronitrile

Examples:

$$O = \begin{array}{c} Bu_3SnH \\ \hline AIBN \\ \hline 86\% \end{array} O = \begin{array}{c} O \\ \hline CO_2Et \end{array} Me$$

M. G. Banwell, J. M. Cameron, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 525

O Br
$$CO_2Me$$
 Bu_3SnH $AIBN$ $I-Bu$ $I-Bu$

C. Wang, X. Gu, M. S. Yu, D. P. Curran, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 54, 8355

P. Dowd, S.-C. Choi, Tetrahedron 1989, 45, 77

M. T. Crimmins, Z. Wang, L. A. McKerlie, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1998, 120, 1747

Doyle-Kirmse Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R'S \longrightarrow R + \prod_{H \to TMS} \prod_{TMS} R'$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\bigoplus_{N=N} \bigoplus_{TMS} \bigoplus_{-N_2} \bigoplus_{M=1}^{H} \bigoplus_{TMS} \bigoplus_{R'} \underbrace{S} \bigoplus_{TMS} R$$

$$\downarrow_{TMS} \bigcap_{R'} \bigoplus_{TMS} \bigcap_{R'} \bigoplus_{TMS} \bigcap_{R'} \bigcap_{TMS} \bigcap_{R'} \bigoplus_{TMS} \bigcap_{R'} \bigcap_{TMS} \bigcap_{T$$

M. P. Doyle, W. H. Tamblyn, V. Bagher, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1981, 40, 5094

Notes:

Influence of metal catalyst:

K. Miki, T. Yokoi, F. Nishino, Y. Kato, Y. Washitake, K. Ohe, S. Uemura, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2004**, <u>69</u>, 1557

Examples:

PhS
$$\longrightarrow$$
 Me + \longrightarrow TMS \longrightarrow Ph + \longrightarrow TMS \longrightarrow Ph \longrightarrow Ph \longrightarrow TMS \longrightarrow Ph \longrightarrow

D. S. Carter, D. L. Van Vranken, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1303

Y. Kato, K. Miki, F. Nishino, K. Ohe, S. Uemura, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 2619

J. B. Perales, N. F. Makino, D. L. Van Vranken, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 6711

Duff Reaction

Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

V. K. Ahluwalia, R. K. Parashar, Organic Reaction Mechanisms, Alpha Science International Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, pp. 315-316; M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 717.

A detailed kinetic and product (intermediate) study (Y. Ogata, A. Kawaqsaki, F. Sugiura, Tetrahedron 1968, 24, 5001) describes the rapid decomposition of HMTA:

Examples:

R. A. Johnson, R. R. Gorman, R. J. Wnuk, N. J. Drittenden, J. W. Aikem, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* 1993, 36, 3202

M. A. Weidner-Wells, S. A. Fraga-Spano, Synthetic Communications 1996, 26, 2775

C. F. Allen, G. W. Leubner, Organic Syntheses CV4, 866

T. Ikemoto, T. Kawamoto, H. Wada, T. Ishida, T. Ito, Y. Isogami, Y. Miyano, Y. Mizuno, K. Tomimatsu, K. Hamamura, M. Takatani, M. Wakimasu, *Tetrahedron* **2002**, <u>58</u>, 489

J. F. Larrow, E. N. Jacobson, Y. Gao, Y. Hong, X. Nie, C. M. Zepp, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1994, 59, 1939

H.-M. He, M. Cushman, Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry Letters 1994, 4, 1725

Eglinton Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

See Alkyne Coupling for a general discussion.

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p 927.

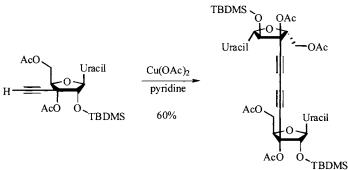
Examples:

S. Hoger, K. Bonrad, L. Karcher, A.-D. Meckenstock, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 1588

TMS
$$\frac{K_2CO_3}{Cu(OAc)_2 \cdot H_2O}$$
Si(*i*-Pr)₃

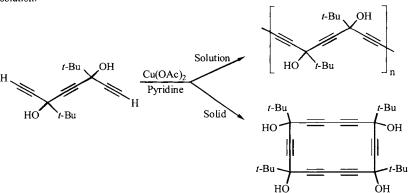
$$61\%$$
Si(*i*-Pr)₃

M. H. Haley, M. L. Bell, S. C. Brand, D. B. Kimball, J. J. Pak, W. B. Wan, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 7483



F. Jung, A. Berger, J.-F. Biellmann, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 383

The product composition can differ depending on whether the reaction is carried out in solid or solution:

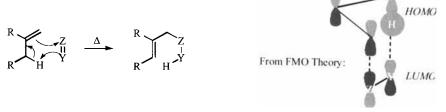


F. Toda, Y. Tokumaru, Chemistry Letters 1990, 987 (Reported in P. Siemsen, R. C. Livingston, F. Diederich, Angewandte Chemie International Edition in English 2000, 39, 2632)

Ene Reaction (Alder-Ene Reaction)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:



Notes:

See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 93-97.

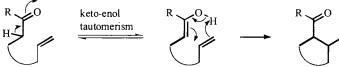
Other reactions following the "ene" mechanistic interpretation:

Reactions of singlet oxygen (Schenck ene reaction),

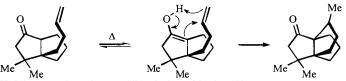
SeO2 oxidations,

Etard Reaction,

Conia Cyclization:



The enol serves as the ene component in the reaction.



H. Schostarez, L. A. Paquette, Tetrahedron 1981, 37, 4431

Examples:

L. Barriault, D. H. Deon, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 1925

The magnesium-ene reaction provides a unique approach to remote functional groups:

W. Oppolzer, A. Nakao, Tetrahedron Letters 1986, 27, 5471

95% 96% ee (S) D. A. Evans, S. W. Tregay, C. S. Burgey, N. A. Paras, T. Vojkovsky, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2000**, 122, 7936

$$Me \xrightarrow{N} = Ph \qquad + Me \xrightarrow{Me} Me \xrightarrow{N} Ph \qquad Me \xrightarrow{N} Ph \qquad Me \xrightarrow{N} SbCl_6$$

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$$Me \xrightarrow{N} = Ph \qquad Me \xrightarrow{N} SbCl_6$$

J. Henninger, K. Polborn, H. Mayr, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 3569

Eschenmoser Coupling Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Possible starting material preparation:

Examples:

D. Russowsky, B. A. da Silveira Neto, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 1437

J. S. Petersen, G. Fels, H. Rapoport, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1984, 106, 4359

H. K. Lee, J. Kim, C. S. Pak, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 2173

D. J. Hart, L.-Q. Sun, A. P. Kozikowski, Tetrahedron Letters 1995, 36, 7787

J. A. Campbell, H. Rapoport, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 6313

Eschenmoser Fragmentation (Eschenmoser-Tanabe Fragmentation / Ring Cleavage)

The Reaction:

p-toluenesulfonylhydrazine

R

Ts

$$\frac{1. \text{ H}_2\text{N}\cdot\text{NH}_2}{2. \text{ Base, } \Delta}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See: M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1347. The authors note that aldehydes can be formed if 2,4-dinitrophenylhydrazine is used.

Examples:

P. Kraft, W. Tochtermann, Justus Liebig's Annalen der Chemie 1994, 1161 (AN 1994:700495)

$$\begin{array}{c} Me \\ S \\ NH \\ NH_2 \\ Me \\ CH_2Cl_2 \\ \hline \\ 43\% \\ O \end{array}$$

C. B. Reese, H. P. Sander, Synthesis 1981, 276

E. J. Corey, H. S. Sachdev, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1975, 40, 579

W. Dai, J. A. Katzenellenbogen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1993, 58, 1900

O
$$\frac{p\text{-NO}_2\text{Ar-SO}_2\text{NH-NH}_2}{p\text{yridine, EtOH, H}_2\text{O}}$$
 $\frac{p\text{-NO}_2\text{Ar-SO}_2\text{NH-NH}_2}{76\%}$ $\frac{p\text{-NO}_2\text{Ar-SO}_2\text{NH-NH}_2}{0\text{MOMO}}$

L. N. Mander, M. M. McLachlan, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 2400

Eschweiler-Clarke (Clark) Methylation

The Reaction:

$$R$$
 $N-H$
 $\frac{1. H_2CO}{2. HCOOH, \Delta}$
 R
 $N-CH_3$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

This reaction specifically refers to the case when a primary or secondary amine is reductively methylated with formaldehyde and formic acid.

See also the Wallach Reaction and the Leuckart (-Wallach) Reaction.

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} Me & CH_2O \\ \hline NH_2 & HCOOH \\ \hline 66\% & Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline Me \\ \end{array}$$

W. E. Parham, W. T. Hunter, R. Hanson, T. Lahr, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1952, 74, 5646

J. R. Harding, J. R. Jones, S.-Y. Lu, R. Wood, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 9487

BnO
$$\frac{\text{HN}}{\text{N}}$$
 $\frac{\text{H}}{\text{N}}$ $\frac{\text{H}}{\text{N}}$ $\frac{\text{N}}{\text{N}}$ $\frac{\text{N}}$

G. Lakshmaiah, T. Kawabata, M. Shang, K. Fuji, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 1699

P. Sahakitpichan, S. Ruchirawat, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 5239

K. Watanabe, T. Wakabayashi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1980, 45, 357

Evans Chiral N-Acyloxazolidinone Methodology

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

R is often i-Pr or Bn.

Bases (B-M) include LDA, Li or NaHMDS, amines with Lewis acids, etc.

E = electrophile (halide, aldehyde).

Z-enolates produced. Steric effects on direction of enolate alkylation are quite obvious:

Examples:

A. N. Hulme, E. M. Rosser, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 265

A. K. Ghosch, J.-H. Kim, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 7659

A. K. Mandal, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2043

Protecting Groups = Bn-, Et₃Si-, Me-, MOM-.

M. T. Crimmins, K. A. Emmitte, J. D. Katz, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 2165

Evans-Tischenko Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The $\it Evans-Tischenko$ $\it Reaction$ generally requires a β -hydroxyketone (developed from an $\it Aldol$ $\it reaction$) to react with an aldehyde. The resulting glycol monoester will be characterized as having high anti-selectivity.

Examples:

A. B. Smith, III, C. M. Adams, S. A. L. Barbosa, A. P. O. Degnan, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2003**, <u>125</u>, 350

Me
$$\frac{\text{SmI}_2}{\text{THF}}$$
 Me $\frac{\text{L}}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{O}}{85\%}$ Me $\frac{\text{Ph}}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{OH}}{\text{N}}$ $\frac{\text{O}}{\text{Ph}}$

L. Lu, H.-Y. Chang, J.-M. Fang, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 843

I. Paterson, M. E. DiFrancesco, T. Kuhn, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 599

L. Lu, H.-Y. Chang, J.-M. Fang, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 843

Favorskii Rearrangement (Favorsky)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$X \xrightarrow{Q} H \xrightarrow{Q} O R \qquad X \xrightarrow{Q} Q R'' \qquad R'' \xrightarrow{Q} O R \qquad R' \xrightarrow{Q} O R \qquad R'' \xrightarrow{Q} O R \qquad$$

The new C-C is of opposite stereochemistry from the departing X-group. G. Stork, J. J. Borowitz, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1960**, <u>82</u>, 4370.

Either side of the cyclopropane can break.

The more stabilized carbanion will be favored.

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 100-103; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1403-1405; A. S. Kende, *Organic Reactions* 11, 4.

Alkoxide or hydroxide bases can be used, giving esters (as shown above) or acids, respectively.

An alternative rationale:

$$X \xrightarrow{\bigcirc} -X^{\bigcirc} \oplus \xrightarrow{\bigcirc} -X^{\bigcirc} \oplus \xrightarrow{\bigcirc} -X^{\bigcirc} \oplus \xrightarrow{\bigcirc} \cdots$$

The oxyallyl intermediate has been trapped:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
& \text{Br} \\
& \text{Me} \\
& \text{OMe}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
& \text{Et}_3\text{N, CF}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH} \\
& \text{OMe}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
& \text{O} \\
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\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
& \text{O} \\
& \text{OMe}
\end{array}$$

M. W. Finch, J. Mann, P. D. Wilde, Tetrahedron 1987, 43, 5431

The rearrangement was essential for the design and execution of the first preparation of the cubane skeleton:

in overall yield of 30% P. E. Eaton, T. W. Cole, Jr., *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1964**, <u>86</u>, 962

Examples:

R. Xu, G. Chu, D. Bai, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 1463

J. D. White, J. Kim, N. E. Drapela, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 8665

Quasi Favorski Rearrangement:

M. Harmata, P. Rashatasakhon, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2533

OMe +
$$H_2C$$
- P -OMe H_2C - P -OMe H_2C - H -OMe H_2C - H -OMe H_2C - H -OMe H -OMe H -OMe H -OMe

G. A. Kraus, J. Shi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1991, 56, 4147

J. M. Llera, B. Fraser-Reid, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 5544

Ferrier Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Several reaction types appear to be covered under this heading:

1. OMe
$$Hg^{2+}$$
 OH OAC AcO CH_2Cl_2 , ROH AcO OAC

3. A Petasis-Ferrier rearrangement

N. A. Petasis, S.-P. Lu, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 141

Examples:

B. K. Bettadaiah, P. Srinivas, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 7275

A. B. Smith, III, K. P. Minbiule, P. R. Verhoest, T. J. Beauchamp, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 913

H. Fuwa, Y. Okamura, H. Natsugari, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 5341

P. A. Grieco, J. D. Speake, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 1275

C. Kan, C. M. Long, M. Paul, C. M. Ring, S. E. Tully, C. M. Rojas, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 381

Finkelstein Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R-X + Na-X' = R-X' + Na-X (s)$$

$$X = Br \text{ or } Cl$$

 $X' = I \text{ or } F$

Proposed Mechanism:

See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 102-103; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 517

This is a classical S_N2 reaction, therefore $1^{\circ} > 2^{\circ} > 3^{\circ}$.

3° chlorides -> 3° iodides with NaI in CS2 and ZnCl2 catalyst.

NaBr and NaCl are not soluble in acetone, driving the equilibrium.

Notes:

Although the reaction was considered to involve simple displacement on alkyl halides, an interpretation now appears to include other systems:

T. Zoller, D. Uguen, A. DeCian, J. Fischer, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 8089

A. Klapars, S. L. Buchwald, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 14844

Examples:

J. Christoffers, H. Oertling, P. Fischer, W. Frey, Tetrahedron 2003, 59, 3769

D. P. Matthews, J. E. Green, A. J. Shuker, Journal of Combinatorial Chemistry 2000, 2, 19

DIEA = Hunig's Base = diisopropylethylamine

D. J. Dixon, A. C. Foster, S. V. Ley, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 123

T. I. Richardson, S. D. Rychnovsky, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1997, 119, 12360

Fischer Indole Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$\bigcap_{\substack{N\\ H}}^{R'} \stackrel{R}{\longrightarrow} \bigcap_{\substack{H \\ H}}^{R'} R$$

Proposed Mechanism:

a tosylhydrazone derivative

$$\begin{array}{c|c} R' & proton & \\ R & transfer \\ N & NH_2 & \\ R & MH_3 & \\ R & MH_3 & \\ R & \\$$

See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 103-106; M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1452-1453

Notes:

A variety of Lewis acids can be used.

The Barry Reaction:

$$\bigcap_{\substack{N\\H}} {}^{*}NH_{2} + \bigcap_{\substack{0\\0}} {}^{R} \bigcap_{\substack{N\\H}} {}^{R}$$

V. C. Barry, Nature 1948, 152, 537

Abramovitch-Shapiro Protocol

Examples:

J. D. White, Y. Choi, Organic Letters, 2000, 2, 2373

R. Iyengar, K. Schildknegt, J. Aube, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1625

R. J. Cox, R. M. Williams, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 2149

K. Yamazaki, Y. Kondo, Journal of Combinatorial Chemistry 2002, 4, 191

Fischer-Hepp and Related Rearrangements

The Reaction:

HCl is the preferred acid.

Proposed Mechanism:

See: M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 728-730 for the *Fischer-Hepp Rearrangement* as well as the *Orton and Hofmann-Martius Rearrangements*.

D. L. H. Williams, Tetrahedron 1975, 31, 1343

See similarity to:

Orton Rearrangement

The Reaction:

D. L. H. Williams, Tetrahedron 1975, 31, 1343 comments on the similarities.

Proposed Mechanism:

Hofmann-Martius Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$H$$
 N
 Me
 H
 Me

Proposed Mechanism:

Reilly-Hickinbottom Rearrangement - uses Lewis acids and the amine rather than protic acid and the amine salt.

Fischer Esterification / Fischer-Speier Esterification

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes: R. Bruchner, Advanced Organic Chemistry, Reaction Mechanisms, Academic Press, San Diego, CA, 2002, p. 247

This is an equilibrium process, and the extent of reaction is controlled by forcing the equilibrium to the right. Trapping of water, or forcing by having one reactant (clearly the most available!) in excess are methods often employed.

See: K. G. Kabza, B. R. Chapados, J. E. Gestwicki, J. L. McGrath, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2000**, <u>65</u>, 121 for an interesting overview in the context of microwave use. This process is common for undergraduate laboratory experiments.

Examples:

$$\stackrel{O}{K} \oplus \bigcirc_{O} \stackrel{\bigcirc}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{O}{K} \stackrel{\longrightarrow}{NO_{2}} \stackrel{\longrightarrow}{K} \stackrel{H_{2}SO_{4}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{Me}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{NO_{2}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{NO_{2}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{NO_{2}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{NO_{2}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{NO_{2}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{NO_{2}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{NO_{2}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow}$$

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S. Zen, M. Koyama, S. Koto, Organic Syntheses CV 6, 797

A. N. Hulme, E. M. Rosser, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 265

Steglich Esterification

Useful method for sterically-hindered esterification reactions.

Reaction:

Examples:

I. Paterson, D. Y.-K. Chen, J. L. Acena, A. S. Franklin, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1513

M. Sefkow, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 2343

Fleming Oxidation

The Reaction:

Notes:

This reaction, depending on the details of the reaction, is known as the *Fleming Oxidation*, the *Fleming-Tamao Oxidation*, the *Tamao-Fleming Oxidation*, or the *Tamao-Kumada Oxidation*.

Fleming-Tamao-Kumada Oxidation

$$R = Si$$
 $K = KF, H_2O_2$
 $KHCO_3, DMF$
2 ROH

Proposed Mechanism:

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Examples:

J. N. Heo, E. B. Holson, W. R. Roush, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1697

J. A. Vanecko, F. G. West, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2813

M. K. O'Brien, A. J. Pearson, A. A. Pinkerton, W. Schmidt, K. Willamn, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1989, 111, 1499

Note: When the silicon unit is part of an oxasilacycloalkane, F is not needed.

S. E. Denmark, J. J. Cottell, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 4276

M. R. Elliot, A.-L. Dhimane, M. Malacria, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1997, 119, 3427

Frater-Seebach Alkylation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Preferential alkylation is anti to the hydroxyl group.

Examples:

M. Nakatsuka, J. A. Ragan, T. Sammakia, D. B. Smith, D. E. Vehling, S. L. Schreiber, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1990, 112, 5583

S. D. Rychnovsky, C. Rodriguez, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1992, 57, 4793

C. H. Heathcock, C. J. Kath, R. B. Ruggeri, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1995, 60, 112

W. R. Roush, T. D. Bannister, M. D. Wendt, J. A. Jablonowski, K. A. Scheidt, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 2002, 67, 4275

2,2-DMP = 2,2-dimethoxypropane *PPTS = pyridinium p-toluenesulfonat*e [77-76-9]

K. W. Hunt, P. A. Grieco, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 481

W. R. Roush, J. S. Newcom, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 4739

Friedel-Crafts Acylation

The Reaction:

$$Z$$

$$\frac{1. R \quad \text{Cl , AlCl}_3}{2. \text{H}_2 \text{O}}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Donor-Acceptor complex Acylium ion

Notes:

Unlike the carbocation intermediate on the <u>Friedel-Crafts alkylation</u>, this acylium ion intermediate will not undergo rearrangement.

See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 106-109.

Nencki Reaction: Acylation of polyphenolic compounds.

Example:

Haworth (Phenanthrene) Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

D.-M. Cui, C. Zhang, M. Kawamura, S. Shimada, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 1741

H. Firouzabadi, N. Iranpoor, F. Nowrouzi, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 5343

F. Bevacqua, A. Basso, R. Gitto, M. Bradley, A. Chimirri, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42 7683

O. Ottoni, A. de V. F. Neder, A. K. B. Dias, R. P. A. Cruz, L. B. Aquino, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 1005

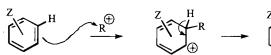
Friedel-Crafts Alkyation

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
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1. R-Cl, AlCl_3 \\
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2. H_2O
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$R-Cl + AlCl_3 \longrightarrow R + AlCl_4$$



See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 110-113; C. A. Price, Organic Reactions 3, 1; E. Berliner, Organic Reactions 5, 5.

Alcohols and alkenes are also useful alkylating agents. Some classify the latter reactions as:

Darzens-Nenitzescu Alkylation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

A variety of protic and Lewis acids have been used.

Examples:

N. A. Paras, D. W. C. MacMillan, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 4370

Use of CO as a catalyst:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_2CI & CI \\ \hline Ph-H & \\ \hline CO & \\ 86\% & E/Z = 69:31 \end{array}$$

S. Ogoshi, H. Nakashima, K. Shimonaka, H. Kurosawa, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 8626

N. Dennis, B. E. D. Ibrahim, A. R. Katritzky, Synthesis 1976, 105

D. B. Bruce, A. J. S. Sorrie, R. H. Thomson, Journal of the Chemical Society 1953, 2403

Friedlander Quinoline Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc}
O & & & H & R' & H & Base & R' & R' \\
N & H & & R & O & & & R & R'
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

The Imine-enamine Approach

Notes:

See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 114-116

Intermediates from both interpretations have been isolated.

The PfitzingerReaction and the Niementowski Quinoline Synthesis are based on this concept:

Examples:

G. Gellerman, A. Rudi, Y. Kashman, Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 12959

R. T. Parfitt, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 1966, 9, 161

M. Croisy-Delcey, C. Huel, A. Croisy, E. Bisagni, Heterocycles 1991, 32, 1933 (AN 1992:128706)

Y.-Z Hu, G. Zhang, R P. Thummel Organic Letters 2003, 5, 2251

Fries Rearrangement / Photo Fries Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes

See:T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 116-119; A. H. Blatt, *Organic Reactions* 1, 11.

The Photo-Fries Reaction:

Examples:

Both Cu(OTf)₂ and Y(OTf)₃ gave the product in 90% yield.

O. Mouhtady, H. Gaspard-Iloughmane, N. Roques, C. LeRoux, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 6379

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$$\frac{ZrCl_4}{CH_2Cl_2}$$
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D. C. Harrowven, R. F. Dainty, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 7659

Montmorillonite clays are layered silicates; montmorillonite K-10 is a specially manufactured acidic catalyst (Montmorillonite K10, [1318-93-0] A. Cornélis, P. Laszlo, M. W. Zettler in *eEROS Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, L. A. Paquette, Ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., online reference available at http://www.intersciene.wiley.com)

S. A. Khanum, V. T. D, S. Shashikantha, A. Firdouseb, *Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry Letters* **2004**, **4**, 5351

R. Saua, G. Torres, M. Valpuesta, Tetrahedron Letters 1995, 36, 1311

Fritsch-Buttenberg-Wiechell Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$\bigwedge_{R}^{R} = \bigvee_{X}^{H} \xrightarrow{\text{strong base}} R = R$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See the similarities in:

Arens-van Dorp Synthesis - Isler Modification

The original *Arens-van Dorp Synthesis* (see below) used ethoxyacetylene, which is difficult to make, as the starting material. The advantage of the *Isler Modification* is the use of β -chlorovinyl ether which will generate lithium ethoxyacetylene in situ.

$$EtO = H \qquad \frac{LiNH_2}{O} \qquad EtO = Ar$$

A. Vaitiekunas, F. F. Nord, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1954, 19, 902

Br NaNH₂
$$\longrightarrow$$
 $C_{12}H_{25}$ \longrightarrow $C_{12}H_{25}$ \longrightarrow $C_{12}H_{25}$

W. G. Knipprath, R. A. Stein, Lipids 1966, 1, 81

I. Creton, H. Rezaei, I. Marek, J. F. Normant, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 1899

P. Pianetti, P. Rollin, J. R. Poughny, Tetrahedron Letters 1987, 27, 5853

E. Ottow, R. Rohde, W. Schwede, R. Wiechert, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 5253

T. Suzuki, T. Sonoda, S. Kobayashi, H. Taniguchi, Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications 1976, 180

Gabriel Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$N-K$$
 $\frac{1. RX}{2. \text{ hydrolysis}}$ $\frac{N}{R}H$ + OH

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The Manske Modification: Using hydrazine to release the primary amine.

The use of hydrazine is useful in that it is gentle to other functional groups.

See T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 120-122; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 500, 513, 864.

Gabriel-Colman Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$\bigcap_{N-K}^{O} \xrightarrow{Cl COOR} \bigcap_{NaOEt}^{OH} \bigcap_{OH}^{COOR}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

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C. Serino, N. Stehle, Y. S. Park, S. Florio, P. Beak, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 1160

Gabriel-Cromwell Reaction

The Reaction:

$$Br + H_2N-R' \xrightarrow{Et_3N} RO$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

General reactions on solid phase are described in a review:

R. G. Franzen, Journal of Combinatorial Chemistry 2000, 2, 195

Examples:

MeOOC

$$MeO$$
 $MeOOC$
 $MeOOC$

S. N. Filigheddu, M. Taddei, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 3857

L. R. Comstock, S. R. Rajski, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 6019

M. T. Barros, C. D. Maycock, M. R. Ventura, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 4329

G. Cardillo, L. Gentilucci, C. Tomasini, M. P. V. Castjon-Bordas, Tetrahedron Asymmetry 1998, 39, 3857

Garegg-Samuelsson Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R$$
 $\stackrel{OH}{\longrightarrow}$ Ph_3P Ph_3P Ph_4P Ph_4P

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

- 1. The reaction will also work with bromine.
- 2. General reactivity: $1^{\circ} > 2^{\circ}$ alcohols.
- 3. Secondary alcohols often experience inversion of configuration.
- 4. 1,2-diols in this reaction result in alkene formation [Garegg-Samuelsson Olefination]

Examples:

P. J. Garegg, R. Johansson, C. Ortega, B. Samuelsson, *Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transaction I*, 1982, 681

Z. Pakulski, A. Zamojski, Carbohydrate Research 1990, 205, 410

J. T. Starr, G. Koch, E. M. Carreira, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 8793

G. Anikumar, H. Nambu, Y. Kita, Organic Process and Research Development 2002, 6, 190

J. M. G. Fernandez, A. Gadelle, J. Defaye, Carbohydrate Research 1994, 265, 249

I. Izquierdo, M. T. Plaza, F. Franco, Tetrahedron Asymmetry 2002, 13, 1503

Garst-Spencer Furan Annulation

The Reaction:

R O 1. NaOMe, EtOCHO 2.
$$n$$
-BuSH, p -TsOH, Δ R O 3. H_2C =SMe₂ 4. H_g^{+2} R'

Proposed Mechanism:

R O NaOMe
$$R'$$
 OH M OH M M OH M O

Examples:

An improvement by Kurosu, Marcin and Kishi:

$$\frac{\text{Me}_{3}\text{SI, NaHMDS}}{\text{Et}_{2}\text{O}} \xrightarrow[R]{R} \xrightarrow{Q} \underbrace{\frac{\Delta}{\text{toluene}}}_{R'} \xrightarrow{R} \underbrace{\frac{I_{2}}{\text{toluene}}}_{R'} \xrightarrow{R} \underbrace{\frac{I_{2}}{\text{toluene}}}_{R'}$$

M. Kurosu, L. R. Marcin, Y. Kishi, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1989, 39, 8929 see also M. Kurosu, L. R. Marcin, T. J. Grinsteiner, Y. Kishi *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1998, 120, 6627

P. A. Zoretic, M. Wang, Y. Zhang, Z. Shen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 1806

Phase-transfer conditions are used in this example:

Sn-Bu
$$\begin{array}{c}
1. \text{ Me}_3\text{S}^+\text{MeSO}_4^-, 50\% \text{ NaOH (aq)}, \\
\underline{\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2, \Delta} \\
2. \text{ 2N HCl, THF}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
59\% (69\% \text{ rec. st. mat.})
\end{array}$$

M. E. Price, N. E. Schore Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 2777

M. E. Price, N. E. Schore Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 5662

L. C. Garver, E. E. van Tamelen, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1982, 104, 867

Gattermann Aldehyde Synthesis (Gattermann-Adams Formylation)

The Reaction:

$$G = \text{alkyl, OR}$$

$$\frac{\text{Zn(CN)}_2, \text{HCl}}{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$Zn(CN)_{2} + 2 HCI \longrightarrow 2 HCN + ZnCl_{2} \xrightarrow{HCl} H - C \equiv N - H$$

$$G \longrightarrow H \longrightarrow N - H$$

$$G \longrightarrow N - H$$

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 123-124; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 715; W. E. Truce, *Organic Reactions* 9, 2.

The reaction works with alkylbenzenes, phenols, their ethers, and many heterocycles, it doesn't work with aromatic amines.

In strong acid solutions, there is evidence of a dication intermediate:

Y. Sato, M. Yato, T. Ohwada, S. Saito, K. Shudo, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1995, 117, 3037

The original conditions, called the *Gattermann Reaction / Formylation*, were to add HCN, HCl and ZnCl₂ (known as *Adam's Catalyst*) directly. Use of *Adam's catalyst* avoids using gaseous HCN.

Gattermann Method

2 Ar
$$-N_2$$
 $\xrightarrow{Cu, H^{\bigoplus}}$ $\xrightarrow{Cu, H^{\bigoplus}}$ or Cu^+ \xrightarrow{Ar} $N = N_1 + N_2$ if Ar contains EWG

Examples:

A. V. Rama Rao, N. Sreenivasan, D. Reddeppa Reddy, V. H. Deshpande, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1987, 28, 455

HO Me
$$Zn(CN)_2$$
 HCl, AlCl₃ OH OH

G. Solladie, A. Rubio, M. C. Carreno, J. L. G. Ruano, Tetrahedron Asymmetry 1990, 1, 187

Gattermann-Koch Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

The details of the formation of the formyl cation seem to be less assured.

See S. Raugei, M. L. Klein, *Journal of Physical Chemistry B* **2001** <u>105</u>, 8212 for pertinent references to experiment, and their computational study of the formyl cation. The work shows the uncertainty associated with acid concentration, counter ion and relative O- vs-C protonation possibilities. We provide a very simplistic possibility:

The probable role of copper is to facilitate the transport of carbon monoxide, with which it binds. See: N. N. Crouse, *Organic Reactions* 5, 6.

There seems to be agreement that the product-forming part of the mechanism is:

$$:C \equiv 0: + H^{\bigoplus} = 0 \xrightarrow{G} H$$

$$G \xrightarrow{H} G \xrightarrow{H} G \xrightarrow{H} G$$

$$G \xrightarrow{H} G \xrightarrow{H} G \xrightarrow{H} G$$

This reaction is limited to benzene and alkylbenzenes.

General Coupling Reactions

A number of coupling reactions have already been summarized under the title <u>Alkyne Coupling</u>. This section summarizes a number of other common coupling protocols.

The Reaction:

These important synthesis reactions have a common mechanistic theme:

Organic Substrate (S)
$$\xrightarrow{M}$$
 \xrightarrow{L} \xrightarrow{S} \xrightarrow{L} \xrightarrow{S} \xrightarrow{L} \xrightarrow{S} \xrightarrow{L} \xrightarrow{S} \xrightarrow{L}

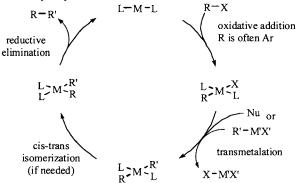
$$L>M S-S$$

The difference in the reactions is in: M (Ni, Cu, Pd).

In these reactions there are many variables: Ligand (type and number), Metal (oxidation state and identity), X (halogen, triflate, etc.), M'.

Proposed Mechanism:

In a catalytic cycle the common trend is:



This step generally has some nucleophile replace a ligand. In the cases where the nucleophile is derived from an organometallic reagent it is called a *transmetallation*.

Named Reaction	Metal	Nucleophile	
Buchwald-Hartwig	Pd	R₂NH or ROH	
Fukuyama	Pd	R-Zn-I *	
<u>Heck</u>	Pd	alkene	
Kumada	Pd or Ni	R-MgX	
Negishi	Pd or Ni	R-ZnX	
Sonogashira	Pd	R-≡-Cu	
Stille	Pd	R-SnBu ₃	
<u>Suzuki</u>	Pd	R-B(OH) ₂	

Under the specific heading one can find details and examples specific for the reaction.

Common Ligands:

The ligands can be particularly useful in preparing the organometallic-substrate for reductive elimination.

$$L_{\bullet}M_{\bullet Z}^{Y} \longrightarrow L_{\bullet}M \qquad Y-Z$$

In this generic example, the oxidation state of the metal is reduced by two, while the product is released in the reductive elimination step. In many reactions the oxidative addition does not provide the proper stereochemistry for elimination; an isomerization must occur.

Glaser (Oxidative) Coupling (Reaction)

The Reaction:

$$2 R = H$$
 $\frac{\text{CuCl, O}_2}{\text{NR}_2}$ $R = R$

Proposed Mechanism:

Mechanistic details are not well understood. It is known that the reaction has been successfully accomplished with a variety of solvents, amines and copper salts.

There seems to be consensus that a copper-alkyne bond is homolytically broken by oxygen (often just air) and the radicals thus formed, couple:

$$R \xrightarrow{:NR_3} R \xrightarrow{:NR_3} CuCl \qquad \left[R \xrightarrow{:Cu} Cu \right] \qquad O_2 \qquad R \xrightarrow{:R} R$$
homolytic cleavage

A more detailed interpretation is available:

P. Siemsen, R. C. Livingston, F. Diederich, Angewandte Chemie International Edition 2002, 39, 2632

$$\begin{bmatrix} \begin{array}{c} & & & \\ &$$

Notes:

See: T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 125-127; M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 927

O2 was an early choice for oxidant; however, other oxidants have been used.

Examples:

The reaction can be carried out without amines, using sodium acetate in super-critical CO2.

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
& \text{CuCl}_2, \text{NaOAc} \\
\hline
& \text{CO}_2
\end{array}$$

J. Li, H. Jiang, Chemical Communications 1999, 2369

S. Hoger, A.-D. Meckenstock, H. Pellen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 4556

M. A. Heuft, S. K. Collins, G. P. A. Yap, A. G. Fallis, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2883

BnO
$$(CH_2)_6$$
 $(CH_2)_6$ $(CH_2)_6$ $(CH_2)_6$ $(CH_2)_5$ $(CH_2)_5$ $(CH_2)_6$ $(CH_2$

A. P. Patwardhan, D. H. Thompson, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 241

Gould-Jacobs Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R \xrightarrow{\text{II}} + \underbrace{\text{EtO}}_{\text{EtOOC}} + \underbrace{\frac{1. \Delta, \text{RCOOH}}{2. \text{Heat}}}_{\text{Reat}} + \underbrace{\frac{1. \Delta, \text{RCOOH}}{2. \text{Heat}}}_{\text{COOEt}}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Hydrolysis readily removes the ester and aromatizes the second ring:

$$\begin{array}{c} H \\ Vinylogous \\ keto-enol \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} OEt \\ OH \\ OOH \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} OOEt \\ OH \\ OOH \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} OOEt \\ OOH \\ OOH \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} OOEt \\ OOH \\ OOH \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} OOEt \\ OOH \\ OOH \end{array}$$

A different approach to similar molecules:

N. D. Heindel, I. S. Bechara, T. F. Lemke, V. B. Fish, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1967, 32, 4155

Examples:

J. N. Kim, K. Y. Lee, H. S. Kim, T. Y. Kim, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 343

J. C. Carretero, J. L. Garcfa Ruano, M. Vicioso, Tetrahedron 1992, 48, 7373

Gribble Indole Reduction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & \text{NaBH}_3\text{CN} \\
 & \text{AcOH} \\
\end{array}$$

G. W. Gribble, P. D. Lord, J. Skotnicki, S. E. Dietz, J. T. Eaton, J. L. Johnson, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1974, 96, 7812

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

G. W. Gribble, Chemical Society Reviews 1998, 27, 395

Examples:

J. C. Torres, A. C. Pinto, S. J. Garden Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 9889

Y. Nakagawa, K. Irie, Y. Komiya, H. Ohigashia, K. Tsuda, Tetrahedron 2004, 60 7077

A. Borghese, L. Antoine, G. Stephenson, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 8087

Gribble Reduction of Diaryl Ketones and Methanols

The Reaction:

G. W. Gribble, M. Leese, B. E. Evans, Synthesis 1977, 172

G. W. Gribble, W. J. Kelley, S. E. Emery, Synthesis 1978, 763

Proposed Mechanism:

$$NaBH_4$$
 + CF_3CO_2H \longrightarrow $(CF_3CO_2)_3BH$ $(TFA = trifluoroacetic acid = CF_3CO_2H)$

$$Ar \xrightarrow{H} Ar \xrightarrow{H-OOCCF_3} Ar \xrightarrow{H} Ar \xrightarrow{H-B(CF_3COO)_3} Ar \xrightarrow{H} Ar \xrightarrow{H-B(CF_3COO)_3} Ar \xrightarrow{H} Ar$$

Examples:

G. Bringmann, T. Pabst, P. Henschel, M. Michel, Tetrahedron 2001, 57, 1269

J. Wang, C. D. Gutsche, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 4423

G. A. Olah, A.-h. Wu, O. Farooq, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1988, 53, 5143

Grieco-Sharpless Elimination

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Selenium-based reactions are generally very mild, often with the advantage of preparing the selenium derivative and carrying out the oxidative elimination as a one-pot sequence.

The five-membered transition state for selenoxide elimination is more restrictive than the six-membered transition state of the *Chugaev Elimination*.

Chugaev:

Selenoxide:

Examples:

G. Majetich, P. A. Grieco, M. Nishizawa, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1977, 42, 2327

Y. Fukuda, M. Shindo, K. Shishido, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 749

Me
$$\frac{\text{NO}_2}{\text{THF}}$$
 $\frac{\text{H}_2\text{O}_2}{\text{THF}}$ $\frac{\text{93}\%}{\text{93}\%}$

K. B. Sharpless, M. Y. Young, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1975, 40, 947

Grignard Reactions

The Reaction:

$$R-X + Mg \longrightarrow R-MgX$$
 The Grignard reagent

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 132-138; M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1205-1209.

Schlenk equilibrium - The "Grignard reagent" is really an equilibrium.

Shown below are some of the structures:

$$R-Mg \stackrel{X}{\underset{X}{\longrightarrow}} R_2MgX \stackrel{P}{\Longrightarrow} R_2MgX_2 \stackrel{R}{\Longrightarrow} R_2MgX_2 \stackrel{R}{\Longrightarrow} Mg \stackrel{X}{\underset{X}{\longrightarrow}} Rg \stackrel$$

Iron-Catalyzed Cross-Coupling Reactions

Examples:

HO
$$\begin{array}{c}
CN & 1. \text{ tBuMgCl} \\
\hline
2. \text{ BuMgCl} & O \\
Mg & Mg
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
CN \\
Mg & Mg
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
O \\
Mg & Mg
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
O \\
Mg & Mg
\end{array}$$

F. F. Fleming, Q. Wang, Z. Zhang, O. W. Steward, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 5953

T. Uyehara, T. Marayama, K. Sakai, M. Ueno, T. Sato, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 7295

W. F. Bailey, D. P. Reed, D. R. Clark, G. N. Kapur, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 1865

P. A. Wender, T. M. Dore, M. A. Delong, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 7687

S. Hanessian, J. Pan, A. Carnell, H. Bouchard, L. Lesage, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1997, <u>62</u>, 465

There are a number of reactions employing Grignard reagents that have their own names:

Bénary Reaction

$$\rightarrow$$
 $\stackrel{\frown}{\mathbb{R}}^{0}$

Bodroux Reaction

Bouveault Reaction

Dzhemilev Reaction

$$\begin{array}{c|c} R & Cp_2ZrCl_2 & R \\ \hline EtMgBr & Et \end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

U. M. Dzhemilev, O. S. Vostrikova, Journal of Organometallic Chemistry 1985, 285, 43

Example:

Titanium Analog

G.-D. Tebben, K. Rauch, C. Stratmann, C. M. Williams, A. deMeijere, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 483

Kulinkovich Reaction

$$\bigcap_{R} \underbrace{\underbrace{\text{EtMgBr}}_{\text{OR'}} \underbrace{\underbrace{\text{Ti}(i\text{-PrO})_4}_{\text{R}}} \underbrace{O}_{R} \underbrace{\underbrace{\text{Ti}}_{\text{Oi-Pr}}^{\text{Oi-Pr}} \underbrace{\underbrace{\text{i-PrO}}_{\text{Oi-Pr}}^{\text{OR'}} \underbrace{\text{Hyd}}_{\text{R}} \underbrace{\text{HO}}_{\text{N}}$$

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\text{Me} & O & EtMgBr & OH \\
\hline
& Ti(i-PrO)_4 & Me
\end{array}$$

70-80%

A. Esposito, M. Taddei, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 9245

S. Y. Cha, J. K. Cha, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1337

Other Examples of novel Grignard use:

M. Nakkamura, K. Matsuo, T. Inoue, E. Nakamura, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1373

Grob Fragmentation

The Reaction:

$$G = OH, Br, BH_2, BR_2$$

$$L = Cl, Br, OTs$$

$$\frac{L}{4}$$

$$R = \frac{Cl}{4}$$

$$R = \frac{Cl}{4}$$

$$R = \frac{Base}{4}$$

$$R = \frac{Cl}{4}$$

$$R = \frac{Cl}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Proper stereoelectronic effects are required, but can lead to a variety of interesting structural products. For a somewhat dated, but readable account, see: P. Deslongchamps, *Stereoelectronic Effects in Organic Chemistry*, Pergamon Press, Oxford, England, 1983

The stereoelectronic bond orientations are critical to the success of these reactions. This is easily seen in a generic *Marshall Boronate Fragmentation*.

J. A. Marshall, G. L. Bundy, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1966, 88, 4291

Examples:

J. T. Njardarson, J. L. Wood, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2431

T. Yoshimitsu, M. Yanagiya, J. Nagaoka, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 5215

OH
$$\frac{t - BuO}{91\%}$$
OTMS
$$\frac{Bu_4N^{\bigoplus}_F \ominus}{89\%}$$
20:80, cis:trans

W. Zhang, P. Dowd, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 957

J. D. Winkler, K. J. Quinn, C. H. MacKinnon, S. D. Hiscock, E. C. McLaughlin, *Organic Letters* **2003**, <u>5</u>, 1805

Hajos-Weichert Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See: S. Wallbaum, J. Martens, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, <u>6</u>, 4301 for a discussion on proline-initiated <u>aldol</u> cyclizations, including chemical and optical yields.

Examples:

The preparation of the Hajos-Parrish ketone:

Z. G. Hajos, D. R. Parrish, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1974, 39, 1615

Phenylalanine can also be used as the source of chirality, sometimes with improved yields. See: H. Hagiwara, H. Uda, *Journal of Organic Chem*istry **1988**, <u>53</u>, 2308 and S. Takahashi, T. Oritani, K. Yamashita, *Tetrahedron* **1988**, 44, 7081

F. G. Favaloro, Jr., T. Honda, Y. Honda, G. W. Gribble, N. Suh, R. Risingsong, M. B. Sporn, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 2002, 45, 4801

Haller-Bauer Reaction

The Reaction:

non-enolizable ketone, typically = Ar

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

This is a reaction of non-enolizable ketones. Optical activity in the R- group is maintained.

See: G. Mehta, R. V. Venkateswaran, *Tetrahedron* **2000**, <u>56</u>, 1399. In this updated Review, the authors indicate the inclusion of alkoxide cleavages as *Haller-Bauer*. March describes these as "Hydro-de-Acylation" reactions. See also: M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 814; K. E. Hamlin, A. W. Weston, *Organic Reactions* **9**, 1.

L. A. Paquette, J. P. Gilday, Organic Preparations and Procedures International 1990, 22, 167

For an improved procedure see: W. Kaiser, Synthesis 1975, 395

Examples:

M = Na > M = K for reaction ee

L. A. Paquette, G. D. Maynard, C. S. Ra, M. Hoppe, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 1408

J. P. Gilday, J. C. Gallucci, L. A. Paquette, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 1399

K. Ishihara, T. Yano, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 1983

O. Arjona, R. Medel, J. Plumet, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 1287

G. Mehta, K. S. Reddy, A. C. Kunwar, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 2289

EWG
$$\stackrel{O}{\longleftarrow}$$
 Me

$$\frac{DMF \text{ dimethylacetal}}{MeOH, \Delta}$$

$$EWG = m\text{-nitro} \qquad 87\%$$

$$p\text{-nitro} \qquad 95\%$$

$$OMe$$

N. Zhang, J. Vozzolo, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 1703

C. Mehta, D. S. Reddy, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1, 2001, 1153

Hass-Bender Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See related reactions; Aldehyde Syntheses

Examples:

The authors state that non-aromatic ketones have been made. H. B. Hass, M. L. Bender *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1949**, <u>71</u>, 1767

H. B. Hass M. L. Bender, Organic Syntheses, Coll. Vol 4, 1963, 932

Br
$$NO_2$$
 Me NO_2 H NO_2 NO

Note: Only 20% by the Sommelet Oxidation.

A. T. Blomquist, R. E. Stahl, J. Meinwald, B. H. Smith, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1961, 26, 1687

Br
$$\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{EtO}^{\bigcirc}, \text{DMSO}}$$
 $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{EtO}^{\bigcirc}, \text{DMSO}}$

Note: Only 57% by the **Sommelet Oxidation**.

S. Akabori, T. Sato, K. Hata, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1968, 33, 3277

Note: Without DMSO, no product is observed.

B. H. Klandermann, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1966, 31, 2618

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62%

J. Clayden, C. McCarthy, N. Westlund, C. S. Frampto Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions I 2000, 1363

Heck Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R-X$$
 + R'' R''' $Pd(0)$ R'' R''

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 144-147; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 930; J. T. Link, *Organic Reactions* **60**, 2.

For a review on applications to Natural Product synthesis, see: A. B. Dounay, L. E. Overman, *Chemical Reviews* **2003**, <u>103</u>, 2945

The Overman Spirocyclization:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
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\hline
Pd(OAc)_2, PPh_3 \\
\hline
Ag_2CO_3 & \\
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85\%
\end{array}$$

M. M. Abelman, L. E. Overman Journal of the American Chemical Society 1988, 110, 2328

Examples:

Silver ion is sometimes added:
$$Ph_3P Pd X PPh_3 = Ag Pd PPh_3 Pd PPh_3 + AgX$$

The charged species is carried through the reaction until the last step when H is eliminated.

M. M. Abelman, T. Oh, L. E. Overman Journal of Organic Chemistry 1987, 52, 4130

In this case, the silver suppresses desilylation. Without silver included, the product was obtained in 12% yield and the major product was the above right.

K. Karabelas, A. Hallber Journal of Organic Chemistry 1988, 53, 4909

C. Y. Hong, L. E. Overman, Tetrahedron Letters 1994, 35, 3453

F. E. Ziegler, U. R. Chakroborty, R. B. Weisenfield, Tetrahedron 1981, 37, 4035

Hell-Volhard-Zelinski Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R \xrightarrow{H} OH \xrightarrow{PX_3} R \xrightarrow{Br} OH$$

The halogen from PX3 is not transferred to the alpha position.

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, S^{th} ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 777; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 147-149. These authors note that α -F or α -I cannot be obtained by this method,

Some describe:

There is no water in the experimental.

L. A. Carpino, L. V. McAdams, III, Organic Syntheses, CV6, 403

Examples:

OH HEOH
$$\frac{Br_2}{p_4 (cat.)}$$
 $\frac{Br_2}{Br}$

K. Estieu, J. Ollivier, J. Salauen, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 623

Y. Ogata. T. Sugimaot, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1978, 43, 3684

C. W. Smith, D. G. Norton, Organic Syntheses CV4, 348

HO
$$Me$$
 Br_2
 Br
 Me
 $Ar_2 = 0$
 Br
 Me
 $Ar_3 = 0$
 Me
 $Ar_4 = 0$
 Me
 $Ar_5 = 0$
 Me

C. F. Allen, M. J. Kalm, Organic Syntheses CV4, 398

Henry Reaction / Kamlet Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\bigcirc O \\ \bigcirc O \\ \downarrow H \\ \downarrow H$$

Notes:

The reaction is mechanistically similar to the Aldol reaction.

See: V. K. Ahluwalia, R.K. Parashar, *Organic Reaction Mechanisms*, Alpha Science International Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, p. 329

Examples:

I.Kudyba, J. Raczko, Z. Urbanczyk-Lipkowska J. Jurczak, Tetrahedron 2004, 60 4807

Me CHO
$$\frac{\text{CH}_3\text{NO}_2}{20 \text{ min ionic liquid}}$$
 Me NO₂

T. Jiang, H. Gao, B. Han, G. Zhao, Y. Chang, W. Wu, L. Gao, G. Yang, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 2699

Y.-W. Zhong, P. Tian, G.-Q. Lin, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 2004, 15, 771

Aza-Henry Reaction: O II P-Ph Ph Ph NO2 TEA 74%

T. Okino, S. Nakamura, T. Furukawa, Y. Takemoto, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 625

R. G. Soengas, J. C. Estevez, R. J. Estevez, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 4457

Heterocyclic Syntheses

Pyridine Syntheses

Chichibabin Pyridine Synthesis

Proposed Mechanism:

$$R \xrightarrow{O} H \xrightarrow{R} R \xrightarrow{NH_3} R \xrightarrow{R} R \xrightarrow{R} R \xrightarrow{H - NH_3} R$$

Guareschi-Thorpe Condensation

Hantzsch (Dihydro) Pyridine Synthesis

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \text{COOEt} & \text{proton} & \text{COOEt} \\ \hline \vdots \text{NH}_3 & & \text{Images of NH}_3 & & \text{NH}_2 \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{COOEt} & \text{proton} \\ \vdots \text{NH}_2 & & \text{NH}_2 \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} -H_2O & H & COOEt & proton \\ \hline & HN & R' & H_2N & R' \end{array}$$

Krohnke Pyridine Synthesis

Furan, Pyrrole, Thiophene Syntheses

Furan Syntheses

Feist-Benary Furan Synthesis

Paal-Knorr Furan Synthesis

$$R \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow R$$

or other Lewis Acids eg P2O5

Garst-Spencer Furan Annulation

Pyrrole Syntheses

Barton-Zard Pyrrole Synthesis

$$RO \stackrel{O}{\longleftarrow} H + \stackrel{R'}{\longleftarrow} \stackrel{R''}{\longleftarrow} \stackrel{base}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{RO_2C}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{R'}{\longleftarrow} \stackrel{R'}{\longleftarrow} \stackrel{R''}{\longleftarrow} \stackrel{R''}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{R''}{\longrightarrow}$$

Hantzsch Pyrrole Synthesis

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
Cl & COOEt \\
\hline
OR & R' & R'
\end{array}$$

Knorr Pyrrole Synthesis

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ R' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \\ NH_2 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} COOR \\ \\ R'' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c}$$

Paal-Knorr Pyrrole Synthesis

$$O = \bigcap_{R \in R} O \xrightarrow{R' - NH_2} R \xrightarrow{N \atop R'} R$$

Piloty-Robinson Synthesis

Thiophene Syntheses

Fiesselmann Thiophene Synthesis

Proposed Mechanism:

Gewald Aminothiophene Synthesis

$$RO \longrightarrow H + R' \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow Base \longrightarrow ROOC \longrightarrow R'$$
 $R'' \longrightarrow S_8 \longrightarrow H_2N \longrightarrow S$

Proposed Mechanism:

ROOC R'
$$+$$
 Base ROOC R' $+$ Base ROOC R' $+$ Base ROOC R' $+$ Base ROOC R' $+$ Bose ROOC

Hinsberg Synthesis of Thiophene Derivatives

$$\bigcap_{O}^{R} \bigcap_{O}^{R'OOC} \bigcap_{S} \bigcap_{COOR'} \bigcap_{R'OOC} \bigcap_{S} \bigcap_{COOR'}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Vollhard-Erdmann Cyclization

Indole Syntheses

Baeyer-Drewson Indigo Synthesis

Bartoli Indole Synthesis

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Bischler-Möhlau Indole Synthesis

Fischer Indole Synthesis

Furstner Indole Synthesis

Gassman Indole Synthesis

Hegedus Indole Synthesis

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
& 1. \text{ PdCl}_2(\text{MeCN})_2 \\
\hline
& 2. \text{ NEt}_3
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Larock Indole Synthesis

Leimgruber-Batcho Indole Synthesis

Madelung Indole Synthesis

Mori-Ban Indole Synthesis

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ \hline \\ N \\ Ac & & \\ \hline \\ NaHCO_3, DMF, \Delta & & \\ \hline \\ NaHCO_3, DMF, \Delta & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Nenitzescu Indole Synthesis

Reissert Indole Synthesis

Smith Indole Synthesis

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & BuLi \\
NH & \\
TMS
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & \\
\hline
R' - COOEt \\
\hline
TMS
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & \\
\hline
TMS
\end{array}$$

$$\longrightarrow \bigvee_{H}^{K} R'$$

Wittig Indole Synthesis

Quinoline-Isoquinoline Syntheses

Bischler-Napieralski Reaction

Camps Quinoline Synthesis

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{Me} \\
\text{OO} \\
\text{OO} \\
\text{CH}_2R
\end{array}$$

The identity of R influences the product distribution.

Combes Quinoline Synthesis

$$NH_2$$
 + O R H_2SO_4 R' + $2 H_2O$

Conrad-Limpach Reaction

Doebner Reaction

$$NH_2$$
 + NH_2 + N

Doebner-von Miller Reaction

Friedlander Quinoline Synthesis

Gabriel-Colman Rearrangement

Gould-Jacobs Reaction

Knorr Quinoline Synthesis

proton transfer

$$R'$$
 H
 R'
 NH_2
 O
 O
 O
 NH_2
 O
 O
 O
 NH_2
 NH_3
 O
 NH_4
 N

Niementowski Quinoline Synthesis

$$OH + OH + OH R'$$

$$OH + OH R'$$

$$OH R'$$

Pictet-Gams Isoquinoline Synthesis

Pictet-Spengler Isoquinoline Synthesis

Pomeranz-Fritsch Reaction

$$H + H_2N$$
 $OR H^{\bigoplus}$
 H_2O
 $N + 2 ROH$

Riehm Quinoline Synthesis

Schlittler-Müller Reaction (Modification of the Pomeranz-Fritsch Reaction)

Skraup Reaction

$$\bigcirc \bigvee_{NH_2} \stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow} \bigvee_{H} \bigcirc \bigvee_{N}$$

Cinnoline Syntheses

Borsche Cinnoline Synthesis

Proposed Mechanism:

von Richter (Cinnoline) Synthesis

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\bigcap_{R} OH \longrightarrow \bigcap_{NH_2} OH \longrightarrow \bigcap_{R} OH \longrightarrow \bigcap_{Cl} OH$$

Widman-Stoermer (Cinnoline) Synthesis

Proposed Mechanism:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$Ar \\
R \\
HONO$$

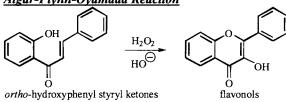
$$Cl \xrightarrow{\bigoplus} Ar \\
R \\
R \\
-HCl$$

$$\bigcap_{N \in \mathbb{N}}^{Ar} \mathbb{R}$$

Flavone-Chromone Syntheses

General Structures

Algar-Flynn-Oyamada Reaction



Allan-Robinson Reaction

Auwers Synthesis

$$\begin{array}{c} \bigcirc \\ \bigcirc \\ -Br \bigcirc \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Ar \\ R \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Ar \\ \longrightarrow \\ O \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Ar \\ \longleftarrow \\ O \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Ar \\ \longleftarrow \\ OH \end{array}$$

Pechmann Condensation

Simonis Chromone Cyclization

$$OH + R OO O P_2O_5$$

$$OE R + EtOH + H_2O$$

Wessely-Moser Rearrangement

Perkin Rearrangement (Coumarin-Benzofuran Ring Contraction)

$$X$$
 Δ, KOH KX

Miscellaneous

Hoch-Campbell Aziridine Synthesis

$$Ar = R + 2 Ar - MgX + 2 HC1$$

$$Ar = R$$

Brackeen Imidazole Synthesis

Bredereck Imidazole Synthesis

Knorr Pyrazole Synthesis

$$R \xrightarrow{R'} R'' + H_2N - N \xrightarrow{Ar} Ar \qquad R'' + R \xrightarrow{R'} R'' + R \xrightarrow{N} N$$

Pechmann Pyrazole Synthesis

$$R = R' + H_2C = N = N$$
diazomethane

Einhorn-Brunner Reaction

Pellizzari Reaction

Bernthsen Acridine Synthesis

Bischler Quinoxaline Synthesis

Gutknecht Pyrazine Synthesis

Pinner Triazine Synthesis

Dornow-Wiehler Oxazole Synthesis

Fischer Oxazole Synthesis

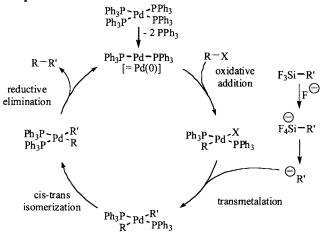
a cyanohydrin

Hiyama Cross-Coupling Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R-X + F_3Si-R' \xrightarrow{Pd(0)} R-R'$$

Proposed Mechanism:



Notes:

Hiyama

Tamao-Ito

Denmark-Mori Modification

See: S. E. Denmark, R. F. Sweis, Accounts of Chemical Research 2002, 35, 835

$$\begin{array}{c}
Me \\
Si \\
R'
\end{array}$$

$$+ \left(\begin{array}{c}
TBAF \\
Pd(dba)_2
\end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c}
R'
\end{array}\right)$$

In this account they summarize related coupling reactions:

 $M = SiR_{(3-n)}F_{(n)}$

 $M = Si(OR)_3$

Examples:

L. G. Quan, J. K. Cha, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 12424

K. Itami, T. Nakami, J. Yoshida, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 5600

S. Riggleman, P. DeShong, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 8106

Hofmann Elimination (Exhaustive Methylation, Degradation)

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} H & X & \begin{array}{c} 1. & NR_3 \\ \hline 2. & Ag_2O \\ \hline 3. & \Delta \end{array} \\ & \begin{array}{c} \text{generally gives the less} \\ \text{substituted alkene} \end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 149-153: M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1331-1333; A. C. Cope, E. R. Turnbull, Organic Reactions 11, 5; S. H. Pine, Organic Reactions 18, 4.

With amines, the first step is generally exhaustive methylation.

This reaction is conducted in a solvent that won't separate the ion pairs. This necessitates an eclipsed / syn orientation for elimination to take place. If there is a choice of eclipsed states, elimination will take place during the most stable, which generally gives the less substituted alkene.

The starting material can also be achieved with an amine that is exhaustively alkylated with alkyliodide. The alkyl group must not have β hydrogens, methyl and phenyl are common.

The reaction can be carried out with leaving groups other than amines.

Hofmann Rule: Elimination from quaternary ammonium and tertiary sulfonium salts generally provides the lesser-substituted alkene as major product.

Emdé Degradation / Reduction

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} \bigcap_{\mathbf{R}^{"}} \mathbf{R}^{"} & & & \\ \mathbf{R}^{'} \mathbf{R}^{"} & & & \\ & \mathbf{R}^{'} \mathbf{R}^{"} & & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ & \mathbf{R}^{'} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \ \mathbf{H}g \\ & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{N}a \ / \$$

Examples:

C. Alhambra, J. Castro, J. L. Chiara, E. Fernandez, A. Fernandez-Mayoralas, J. M. Fiandor, S. Garcia-Ochoab, M. D. Martin-Ortegaa, *Tetrahedron Letters* 2001, 42, 6675

S. V. Kini, M. M. V. Ramana, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 4171

T. Shono, Y. Matsumara, S. Kashimura, K. Hatanaka, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1979, 101, 4752

T. C. Jain, C. M Banks, J. E. McCloskey, Tetrahedron 1976, 32, 765

Hofmann Isonitrile Synthesis (Carbylamine Reaction)

The Reaction:

$$R-NH_2 + CHCl_3 + 3 NaOH \longrightarrow R-N \equiv C^* + 3 NaCl + 3 H_2O$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

This is a carbene reaction.

See: V. K. Ahluwalia, R. K. Parashar, Organic Reaction Mechanisms, Alpha Science International Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, p. 333

Examples:

PTC = phase transfer conditions

Under different reaction conditions:

J. Zakrzewski, J. Jezierska, J. Hupko, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 695

R-NH₂
$$\xrightarrow{\text{CHCl}_3 \text{ (alcohol free), CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}$$
 $\xrightarrow{\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_3 \text{ (BnCl}^-)}$ R-N=C
$$R = n\text{-Bu } 60\%$$

$$R = Bn \quad 55\%$$

W. P. Weber, G. W. Gokel, Tetrahedron Letters 1972, 17, 1637

Hofmann Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

R'or H
$$O$$
 R O R O

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1380, 1384; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp, 153-154; E. L. Wallis, J. F. Lane, *Organic Reactions* 3, 7.

The workup can also be with RNH2 to give urea derivatives.

It has been found that PhI(OAc)₂ [iodosobenzene diacetate] and PhI(CF₃CO₂)₂ [bis(trifluoroacetoxy)iodosobenzene] are much better reagents for the reaction. See: L.-h. Zhang, G. S. Kauffman, J. A. Pesti, J. Yin, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1997, 62, 6918

The mechanism (abbreviated below) for the PhI(CF₃CO₂)₂ reaction has been discussed: R. H. Boutin G. M. Loudon, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1984, 49, 4211

$$PhI(CF_3CO_2)_2 \longrightarrow F_3C \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow CF_3 \xrightarrow{R} NH_2 \longrightarrow F_3C \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow Ph \longrightarrow O$$

$$H_2O \longrightarrow R-N=C=O \longrightarrow R-N=C=O \longrightarrow R$$

Examples:

M.Yokoyaa, M. Kashiwagi, M. Iwasaki, K. Fuhshuku, H.Ohtab, T. Sugaia, *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry* **2004**, <u>15</u>, 2817

J. W. Hilborn, Z.-H. Lu, A. R. Jurgens, Q. K. Fang, P. Byers, S. A. Wald, C. H. Senanayaka, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 8919

$$\begin{array}{c} Cbz \\ HN \\ O \\ N \\ N \\ O \end{array} \xrightarrow{PhI(CF_3CO_2)_2} O \xrightarrow{Cbz} \begin{array}{c} Cbz \\ N \\ N \\ N \\ O \end{array} \xrightarrow{H_2} O \xrightarrow{N} \begin{array}{c} H_2 \\ N \\ N \\ N \\ O \end{array}$$

K. G. Poullennec, D. Romo, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 6344

D. E. DeMong, R. M. Williams, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 8561

T. Hakogi, M. Taichi, S. Katsumura, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 2801

Hofmann-Loffler-Freytag Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R \xrightarrow{N} R' \xrightarrow{1. \text{ NCS}} R \xrightarrow{2. \text{ H} \xrightarrow{0} \Delta \text{ or hv}} R \xrightarrow{N} R$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
& & & & \\
R & & \\
R & & & \\
R & & \\
R$$

$$R \xrightarrow{N \atop R'}$$

Notes:

See Reagents: NCS

* This step can serve as the propagation for a series of reactions:

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** C1

** R

** H

** H

Examples:

K. Kimura, Y. Ban, Synthesis 1978, 201

R.-M. Dupeyre, A. Rassat, Tetrahedron Letters 1973, 14, 2699

E. J. Corey, W.R. Hertler, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1960, 82, 1657

OMe
$$Cl \qquad CF_3\text{-COOH} \qquad Me \sim N$$

$$N \sim Me$$

$$N \sim Me$$

$$N \sim Me$$

$$N \sim N$$

R. Furstoss, P. Teissier, B. Waegell, Tetrahedron Letters 1970, 11, 1263

S. L. Titouani, J.-P. Lavergne, P. Viallefont, Tetrahedron 1980, 36, 2961

Hofmann-Martius Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$H_{N}$$
, Me

 H_{N} , H

 H_{N} , H

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 729.

The Reilly-Hickinbottom Rearrangement uses CoCl2, CdCl2 or ZnCl2 and the amine rather than protic acid and the amine salt.

H. Me
$$Cl-M$$
 H. Me $Cl-M$ H. Me $Cl-M$ H. Me $Cl-M$ H. Me Cl M Me M Me Cl M Me M M

Orton Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

R. S. Neale, N. L. Marcus, R.G. Schepers, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1966**, <u>88</u>, 305 The authors describe a radical reaction for

$$X$$
 N
 R
 N
 R
 N
 R
 N
 R

See: R. S. Neale, N. L. Marcus, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1969**, <u>34</u>, 1808 for related reactions of *N*-halo-cyano compounds. A radical process is discussed.

Hooker Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O & CH_2R & \hline \\ OH & HO^{\bigodot} & \\ \end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

K. H. Lee, H. W. Moore, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 235

K. H. Lee, H. W. Moore, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 235

L. F. Fieser, M. Fieser, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1948, 70, 3215

Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons-Wittig Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c}
X \\
H \text{ EWG}
\end{array}
+ \begin{array}{c}
RO \\
RO
\end{array}
\xrightarrow{P} OR$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
1. \underline{Arbuzov} \\
2. \text{ Base}
\end{array}$$

$$3. O \Longrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
EWG
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1233.

See also the *Masamune-Roush* conditions for this reaction. Generally useful for base-sensitive aldehydes.

M. A. Blanchette, W. Choy, J. T. Davis, A. P. Essenfeld, S. Masamune, W. R. Roush, T. Sakai, Tetrahedron Letters 1984, 25, 2183

N. P. Pavri, M. L. Trudell, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 2649

Examples:

A. Srikrishna, D. Vijaykumar, T. J. Reddy, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 1439

H. Kiyota, D. J. Dixon, C. K. Luscombe, S. Hettstedt, S. V. Ley, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 322

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O \\
CH_2O, THF \\
OEt \\
MeOOC
\end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c}
O \\
K_2CO_3, H_2O
\end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c}
O \\
MeOOC
\end{array}$$

A. Samarat, V. Fargeas, J. Villieras, J. Lebreton, H. Amri, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 1273

54%

I. Vemura, H. Miyagawa, T. Veno, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 2351

J. Knol, B. L. Feringa, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 2527

Houben-Hoesch Reaction / Hoesch Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p.722; P. E. Sperri, A. S. DuBois, *Organic Reactions* 5, 9.

The Hoesch Reaction (Acylation):

$$\begin{array}{c}
1. \text{ RCN, HCl, } \text{ZnCl}_2 \\
R = \text{OH, OR, NR}_2
\end{array}$$

The *Houben-Hoesch Reaction* refers specifically to phenols as substrates, where the reaction is generally most useful.

Houben-Fischer Synthesis

$$\begin{array}{c}
CI \\
+ CI \\
CI
\end{array}$$

$$C \equiv N$$

$$C = N$$

$$C = N$$

$$C = N$$

$$C = N$$

$$A = CN$$

$$A = CN$$

$$C = N$$

$$A = CN$$

$$C = N$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

D. W. Udwary, L. K. Casillas, C. A. Townsend *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 2002, 124, 5294

J. Henninger, K. Polborn, H. Mayr, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 3569

Hunsdiecker Reaction (Borodine Reaction, Borodine-Hunsdiecker Reaction)

A. Borodin, composer, is best noted for the work "Prince Igor".

The Reaction:

$$OH \qquad Ag_2O \longrightarrow Br_2$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$A_{g_2O} + H_2O \implies A_{gOH} + HO^{\bigcirc} + A_{g}^{\bigoplus}$$

$$Ag^{\bigoplus}$$

$$O$$

$$H$$

$$O$$

$$Br - Br$$

$$AgBr$$

$$Must be pure.$$

Any optical activity is lost

* This step can also be the propagation step:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 942-943; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 155-157; C. V. Wilson, *Organic Reactions* 9, 5.

The Christol-Firth Modification or Christol-Firth-Hunsdiecker Reaction uses HgO in place of Ag₂O. In this modification it is not necessary to isolate an intermediate.

The Simonini Reaction differs by the ratio of I₂. The products are significantly different, this reaction produces esters:

Examples:

B. Dolensky, K. L. Kirk, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 3468

D. Naskar, S. Chowdhury, S. Roy, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 699

A. R. Al Dulayymi, J. R. Al Dulayymi, M. S. Baird, M. E. Gerrard, G. Koza, S. D. Harkins, E. Roberts, *Tetrahedron* 1996, 52, 3409

M. S. Baird, H. L. Fitton, W. Clegg, A. McCamley, Journal of the Chemical Society: Perkin Transactions I 1993, 321

O OH
$$\frac{\text{HgO}}{\text{Br}_2}$$
 $\frac{\text{Br}}{\text{Cl}}$ $\frac{\text{Cl}}{\text{Cl}}$

K. B. Wilberg, M. G. Matturo, P. J. Okarma, M. E. Jason, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1984, 106, 2194

J. P. Das, S. Roy, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 7861

$$Cl \xrightarrow{O} OH \xrightarrow{HgO} Cl \xrightarrow{Br} Br$$

G. M. Lampman, J. C. Aumiller, Organic Syntheses 1971, 206

L. DeLuca, G. Giacomelli, G. Porcu, M. Taddei, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 855

Ireland-Claisen Rearrangement

The Reaction:

OH 1. LDA OH 2. TMSCI 3.
$$\Delta$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1452.

Examples:

S.-p. Hong, M. C. McIntosh, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 19

S. Höck, F. Koch, H.-J. Borschberg Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 2004, 15, 1801

J. C. Gilbert, J. Yin, F. H. Fakhreddine, M. L. Karpinski Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 51

P. Magnus, N. Westwood, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 4659

P. A. Jacobi, Y. Li, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 701

Ivanov Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The stereochemistry of the Ivanov Reactions:

H. E. Zimmerman, M. D. Traxler; Journal of the American Chemical Society 1957, 79, 1920

The reaction is particularly useful with the electrophile being an aldehyde or ketone:

J. Toullec, M. Mladenova, C. F. Gaudemar-Bardone, C. B. Blagoev, Tetrahedron Letters 1983, 24, 589

Examples:

53%

F. F. Blicke, H. Zinnes, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1955, 77, 6247

M. Mladenova, B. Blagoev, M. Gaudemar, F. Gaudemar-Bardone, J. Y. Lallemand *Tetrahedron* 1981, 37, 2157

Y. A. Zhdanov, G. V. Bogdanova, O. Y. Riabuchina Carbohydrate Research 1973, 29, 274

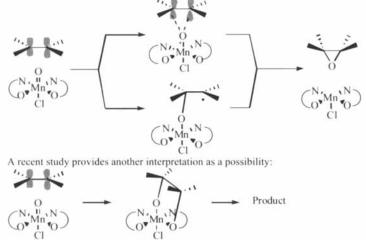
Jacobsen-Katsuki Epoxidation

The Reaction:

E. N. Jacobsen, L. Deng, Y. Furukawa, L. E. Martinez Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 4323

Proposed Mechanism:

The mechanistic details are still being studied. Two interpretations most thought about include:



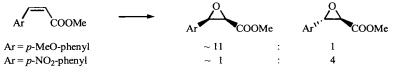
Y. G. Abashkin, S. K. Burt, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 59

See: D. L. Hughes, G. B. Smith, J. Liu, G. C. Dezeny, C. H. Senanayake, R. D. Larsen, T. R. Verhoeven, P. J. Reider, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1997, <u>62</u>, 2222, for details of the mechanistic interpretation.

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1053.

Selectivity depends on substrate structure:



E. N. Jacobsen, L. Deng, Y. Furukawa, L. E. Martinez, Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 4323

The oxygen has its origins in the NaOCl:

Examples:

J. S. Prasad, T. Vu, M. J. Totleben, G. A. Crispino, D. J. Kacsur, S. Swaminathan, J. E. Thornton, A. Fritz, A. K. Singh, Organic Process Research & Development 2003, 7, 821

Japp-Klingemann Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

The carboxylic acid byproduct would exist as a carboxylate until acid is added.

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 779; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 161-163; R. R. Philips, *Organic Reactions* 10, 2.

Examples:

A. P. Kosikowski, W. C. Floyd, Tetrahedron Letters 1978, 19, 19

Y. Bessard, Organic Process Research & Development 1993, 2, 214

H. C. Yao, P. Resnick, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1962, 84, 3514

$$\bigcap_{\substack{N \\ H}}^{COOEt} \bigcap_{87\%}^{N_2^{\bigoplus}} \bigcap_{\substack{N \\ H}}^{N_2^{\bigoplus}}$$

D. Shapiro, R. A. Abramovitch, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1955, 77, 6690

Johnson Polyene Cyclization

The Reaction:

The reactions encompass the attempts to mimic the suggested biosynthetic cyclization for multi-ring terpenes and steroids, such as:

W. S. Johnson, Accounts of Chemical Research 1968, 1, 1

Proposed Mechanism:

These are generally cationic processes where correct alignment of alkenes bonds will allow for ring formation:



Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1019.

Success in this reaction requires control of the E/Z configuration of the alkene bonds and often a good terminator step.

Examples:

M. Franck-Neumann, P. Geoffroy, D. Hanss Tetrahedon Letters 2002, 43, 2277

P. V. Fish, A. R. Sudhakar, W. S. Johnson, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 7849

A. B. Smith, III, T. Kinsho Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 6461

$$\begin{array}{c} OMe \\ OMe \\ \hline \\ CN \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OMe \\ \hline \\ BF_3 \ CH_3NO_2 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OMe \\ \hline \\ ArS \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OMe \\ \hline \\ \bar{H} \ CN \end{array}$$

S. R. Harring and T. Livinghouse, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 6388

E. J. Corey, H. B. Wood, Jr., Journal of the American Chemical Society 1996, 118, 11982

G. Demailly, G. Solladie, Tetrahedron Letters 1980, 21, 3355

Johnson-Claisen Rearrangement (Johnson Orthoester Rearrangement)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Preparation of starting material:

Examples:

B. Jiang, Y. Liu, W.-s. Zhou, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 6231

BnO,
$$\frac{OH}{EtCO_2H, \Delta}$$
 BnO, $\frac{BnO}{BnO}$ COOEt

H. Fuwa, Y. Okamura, H. Natsugari, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 5341

E. Marotta, P. Righi, G. Rosini, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 4145

CH₂OH
$$\begin{array}{c} & & & \\ &$$

F. W. Ng, H. Lin, S. J. Danishefsky, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 9812

Jones Oxidation

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
OH & CrO_3, H_2SO_4 & O \\
H_2O, acetone & OH & OH \\
H_2O, acetone & OH & OH
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Chromium Reagent Formation:

See Jones Reagent.

This is a useful and simple reaction to carry out. The oxidizing solution can be slowly titrated into the reaction flask until the color of the oxidant persists.

Primary alcohols are readily converted to acids, secondary alcohols to ketones. 1,2-Diols can suffer fragmentation. Allylic alcohols are readily oxidized.

Collins Oxidation

Sarrett Oxidation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & & \\ &$$

Note: Must add CrO₃ to pyridine solution.

Examples:

E. J. Eisenbraun, Organic Syntheses, CV5, 597

This was the last step in a four-step sequence. No individual yields presented. Overall yield 54%

D. Ma and J. Yang, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 9706

M. T. Crimmins, C. A. Carroll, B. W. King, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 597

J. Panda, S. Ghosh, S. Ghosh Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1 2001, 3013

Julia-Bruylants Cyclopropyl Carbinol Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & &$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\ &$$

Examples:

A. Van der Bent, A. G. S. Blommaert, C. T. M. Melman, A. P. IJzerman, I. Van Wijngaarden, W. Soudijn, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* 1992, 35, 1042

OTHP

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{OTHP} \\
\text{OH} \\
\text{Me}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{LiBr, TMSCl} \\
\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2
\end{array}$$

$$\text{Br} \\
\text{H}$$

$$CH_2\text{Cl}_2 \\
\text{E:Z = 85:15}$$

Z. Liu, W. Z. Li, Y. Li, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 2001, 12, 95

P. A. Wender, J. M. Nuss, D. B. Smith, A. Suarez-Sobrina, J. Vagberg, D. Decosta, J. Bordner, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1997, <u>62</u>, 4908

C. A. Henrick, F. Schaub, J. B. Siddall, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1972, 94, 5374

$$\begin{array}{c|c} Et & Me \\ \hline \\ OH & \hline \\ CO_2Me & \hline \\ \hline \\ 2. \ ZnBr & \\ \hline \\ Br & \hline \\ Et & Me \\ \hline \\ CO_2Me \\ \hline \\ Taken on to next steps \\ \end{array}$$

W. S. Johnson, T.-T. Li, D. J. Faulkner, S. F. Campbell, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1968**, <u>90</u>, 6225

Julia Olefination (Julia-Lythgoe Olefination)

The Reaction:

M. Julia, J. M. Paris, Tetrahedron Letters 1973, 14, 4833

Proposed Mechanism:

Julia Coupling

Utilizes the first part of the reaction sequence:

K. Suenaga, K. Araki, T. Sengoku, D. Uemura, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 527

Examples:

D. J. Hart, J. Li, W.-L. Wu, A. P. Kozikowski, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 5023

M. Z. Hoemann, K. A. Agriosw, J. Aube, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 953

I. E. Marko, F. Murphy, S. Donlan, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 2089

OMIP

OH

$$C_5H_{11}$$
 R_0
 R_0

G. Zanoni, A. Porta, F. Castronovo, G. Vidari, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 6005

Kahne Glycosylation

The Reaction:

D. Kahne, S. Walker, Y. Cheng, D. Van Engen Journal of the American Chemical Society 1989, 111, 6881

Proposed Mechanism:

Base

Examples:

BnO OBn
$$\frac{1}{O}$$
 $\frac{1}{O}$ $\frac{1}{O$

D. Kahne, S. Walker, Y. Cheng, D. Van Engen Journal of the American Chemical Society 1989, 111, 6881

L. Yan, C. M. Taylor, R. Goodnow, Jr., D. Kahne, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1994, 116, 6953

D. J. Silva, H. Wang, N. M. Allanson, R. K. Jain, M. J. Sofia, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 5926

Keck Macrolactonization

The Reaction:

Notes:

See Macrolactonization for related methods.

This reaction is an extension of the Steglich esterification reaction. See: E. P. Boden, G. E. Keck, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1985, 50, 2394.

For another approach to macrolactonization, see:

Mukaiyama Esterification

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See: Mukaiyama's Reagent for examples.

Examples (of the Keck Macrolactonization):

F. Fujiwara, D. Awakura, M. Tsunashima, A. Nakamura, T. Honma, A. Murai, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1999, 64, 2616

G. E. Keck, C. Sanchez, C. A. Wagner, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 8673

Kennedy Oxidative Cyclization

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

For comments on mechanism, see: S. Tang, R. M. Kennedy, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1992, 33, 5299, 5303; S. C. Sinha, E. Keinan, S. C. Sinha, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1998, 120, 9076

Examples:

S. Tang, R. M. Kennedy, Tetrahedron Letters 1992, 33, 5299

OMe

$$O = H$$
 $O = H$
 $O = H$

S. Tang, R. M. Kennedy, Tetrahedron Letters 1992, 33, 5299.

S. C. Sinha, E. Keinan, S. C. Sinha, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1998, 120, 9076

$$Re_2O_7$$
 $TFAA, THF$

OTBDPS

 $C_{12}H_{25}$

OTBDPS

 $C_{12}H_{25}$

OTBDPS

 $C_{12}H_{25}$

S. C. Sinha, A. Sinha, S. C. Sinha, E. Keinan, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1997, 119.

There are other oxidative cyclizations related to the Kennedy protocol:

For example:

A. R. L. Cecil, Y. Hu, M. J. Vinent, R. Duncan, R. C. D. Brown, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2004, 69, 3368

Knoevenagel Condensation (Reaction)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See: R. Bruckner, Advanced Organic Chemistry, Harcourt/Academic Press, San Diego, 2002, pp 419-422, for an interesting discussion of the active nucleophile in this reaction.

Another interpretation involves the formation of an intermediate iminium species as the electrophile: T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, 164-167.

M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1225-1228; G, Jones, Organic Reactions 15, 2.

When the amine catalyst is specifically pyridine, the reaction is known as the *Doebner Modification* of the Knoevenagel Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} CH_2(COOH)_2 & \xrightarrow{pyridine} & \ominus_{CH(COOH)_2} & \xrightarrow{CHO} \\ H & OH & & & \\ CH(COOH)_2 & \xrightarrow{-H_2O} & & & \\ \hline & & & & \\ \hline & & & & \\ \end{array}$$

Examples:

N. S. Reddy, M. R. Mallireddigari, S. Cosenza, K. Gumireddy, S. C. Bell, E. P. Reddy, M.V.R. Reddy, *Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry Letters* **2004**, <u>14</u>, 4093

L. F. Tietze, U. Beifuss, Organic Syntheses CV 9, 310

Use of ionic liquids:

Solvent used several times, without additional base, to carry out the reaction.

P. Formentin, H. Garcia, A. Leyva, Journal of Molecular Catalysis A: Chemical 2004, 214, 137

Tandem Ugi-Knoevenagel Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c} Ph \\ CN \\ O \\ CO_{2}H \\ + \\ CHO \\ C \equiv N - C_{6}H_{11} \\ Ph \\ CN \\ Ph \\ CO \\ C_{6}H_{11} \\ \end{array}$$

S. Marcaccini, R. P. M. Cruz Pozo, S. Basurto, M. Garcı a-Valverdeb, T. Torrobab, *Tetrahedron Letters* 2004, 45, 3999

H. Hu, T. J. Harrison, P. D. Wilson, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2004, 69, 3782

P. J. Jessup, C. B. Petty, J. Roos, L. E. Overman, Organic Syntheses, CV6, 95

Knorr Pyrrole Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$R \downarrow O \downarrow COOR \downarrow R'' \downarrow NH_2 O \downarrow NH_2 O \downarrow R'' \downarrow NH_2 O \downarrow NH_2 O$$

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 168-170.

Examples:

H. Surya P. Rao, S. Jothilingam, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 6595

EWG OMe R'-M EWG R'

$$Me$$
 $M = MgX, Li$ H

Weinreb Amide

A. Alberola, A. G. Ortega, M. L. Sidaba, C. Safiudo, Tetrahedron 1999, 55, 6555

J. B. Hendrickson, R. Rees, Journal of the American Chemistry Society 1961, 83, 1250

$$Me \longrightarrow O_{t-Bu} \longrightarrow NaNO_{2} \longrightarrow Me \longrightarrow O_{t-Bu} \longrightarrow NoH \longrightarrow NoH$$

J. M. Manley, M. J. Kalman, B. G. Conway, C. C. Ball, J. L. Havens, R. Vaidyanathan, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 2003, 68, 6447

R. K. Bellingham, J. S. Carey, N. Hussain, D. O. Morgan, P. Oxley, L. C. Powling *Organic Process Research & Development* 2004, 8, 279

EtOOC

$$Me \rightarrow O$$

1. HONO
2. Zn HOAc

 $Me \rightarrow O$

EtOOC

 NH_2
 $Me \rightarrow O$
 Me

H. Fischer, Organic Syntheses CV3, 513

Koch-Haaf Carbonylation (Reaction)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

The carbocation can also come from an alcohol.

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 564, 1035.

The acid-catalyzed hydrocarboxylation of an alkene is known as the *Koch Reaction*. When the source of both the CO and the H_2O is formic acid, the process is called the *Koch-Haaf Carbonylation*.

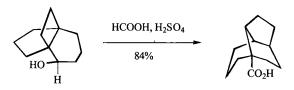
Examples:

H. Langhals, I. Vergelsberg, C. Riichardt, Tetrahedron Letters 1981, 22, 2365

Me
$$\frac{O}{Me}$$
 $\frac{HCOOH, H_2SO_4}{36\%}$ $\frac{Me}{O}$ $\frac{Me}{O}$

M. E. N. Nambudiry, G. S. K. Rao, Tetrahedron Letters 1972, 13, 4707

D. J. Raber, R. C. Fort, E. Wiskoit, C. W. Woodworth, P. v. R. Schleyer, J. Weber, H. Steer, *Tetrahedron* 1971, 27, 3



K. Kakiuchi, M. Ue, I. Wakaki, Y. Tobe, Y. Odaira, M. Yasuda, K. Shimal, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1986, 51, 282

Köenigs-Knorr Synthesis / Reaction / Method / Glycosidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

An adjacent acetoxy group can participate in the reaction:

In the early works, Hg salts were often used in place of the Ag salts to initiate the reaction. This has been called the *Zemplen-Helferich modification*.

Examples:

An improvement over the traditional method to avoid use of Hg salts.

The procedure also replaces anomeric acetate groups.

A. K. Pathak, Y. A. El-Kattan, N. Bansal, J. A. Maddry, R. C. Reynolds, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1998, 39, 1497

H. Li, Q. Li, M.-S. Cai, Z.-J. Li, Carbohydrate Research 2000, 328, 611

$$\begin{array}{c} CH_2OAc \\ Me \\ OAc \\ \end{array} + ROH \qquad \begin{array}{c} AgNO_3 \\ crown \ ether \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} CH_2OAc \\ Me \\ OAc \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} R = Me, 81\% \\ R = i\text{-Pr}, 65\% \\ R = t\text{-Bu}, 57\% \\ R = C_6H_{11}, 43\% \\ \end{array}$$

A. Knochel, G. Rudopph, J. Thiem, Tetrahedron Letters 1974, 15, 55

F. Imperato, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1976, 41, 3478

Kolbé Electrolysis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 942; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 170-171.

1. The Brown-Walker Electrolysis is useful for dimerizing half-acid-esters:

$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 RO OH RO RO RO OR

2. Mixed coupling can be accomplished by relying on statistics and using the less-costly acid in excess. Prediction of yield of R-R' for the reaction:

$$R-COOH + R'-COOH \longrightarrow R-R + R'-R' + R-R'$$

YIELD = 100N / (1+N), assuming a 1:N ratio of the two acids.

H.J. Schafer, in *Comprehensive Organic Synthesis*, B. M. Trost, editor-in-chief, Pergamon Press, Oxford, 1991, 3, Chapter 2.8

See: M.A. Iglesias-Arteaga, E. Juaristi, F. J. Gonzalez, *Tetrahedron* 2004, <u>60</u>, 3605 for a detailed discussion of the electrochemistry.

Examples:

K. Schierle, J. Hopke, M.-L. Niedt, W. Boland, E. Steckhan, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 8715

A. Forster, J. Fitremann, P. Renaud, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 7097

$$t$$
-Bu t -Bu

J. Hiebl, H. Kollmann, F. Rovenszky, K. Winkler Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry Letters 1997, 7, 2963

L. Becking, H. J. Schafer, Tetrahedron Letters 1988, 29, 2797

Kolbé-Schmitt Reaction (Kolbé Synthesis, Schmitt Synthesis)

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{OH} \\
& \underbrace{\begin{array}{c}
\text{OH} \\
\text{OH}
\end{array}}
\end{array}$$

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Proposed Mechanism:

$$\stackrel{\text{H}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\text{OH}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\text{OH}}{\longrightarrow}$$

Notes:

Recent work shows that a phenoxide-CO₂ complex is formed competitively with direct carboxylation. This does not go on to form products, but rather decomposes to phenoxide and carbon dioxide. (Y. Kosugi, Y. Imaoka, F. Gotoh, M. A. Rahim, Y. Matsui, K. Sakanishi, *Organic and Biomolecular Chemistry* 2003, 1, 817)

Lederer-Manasse Reaction

Examples:

A. C. Regan, J. Staunton, Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications 1987, 520

A. Fuerstner, N. Kindler, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 7005

$$CF_3$$
 CO_2
 K_2CO_3
 OH
 $S8\%$
 CO_2H

M. Hauptschein, E. A. Nodiff, A. J. Saggiomo, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1954, 76,1051

OH
$$t$$
-Bu t -B

W. H Meek, C. H. Fuchsman, Journal of Chemical and Engineering Data 1969, 14, 388

Kornblum Aldehyde Synthesis

The Reaction:

X = I, Br, OTs

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. T. Tidwell, Organic Reactions 39, 3

The *Hass or <u>Hass-Bender Reaction</u>* will specifically convert a benzylic halide to an aldehyde:

H. B. Hass, M. L. Bender, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1949, 71, 1767

Examples:

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S. Chandrasekhar, M. Sridhar, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 5423

B. K. Bettadaiah, K. N. Burudutt, P. Srinivas, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 2460

B. Ganem, R. K. Boeckman, Tetrahedron Letters 1974, 917

Kostanecki Acylation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

There is competition between products from <u>Allan - Robinson</u> and <u>Kostanecki Acylation</u>. A search of literature shows that both product types are often classified as the latter. This is exemplified with examples, all of which are searchable under <u>Kostanecki Acylation</u>.

Examples:

M. I. T. Flavin, J. D. Rizzo, A. Khilevich, A. Kucherenko, A. K. Sheinkman, V. Vilaychack, L. Lin, W. Chen, E. M. Greenwood, T. Pengsuparp, J. M. Pezzuto, S. H. Hughes, T. M. Flavin, M. Cibulski, W. A. Boulanger, R. L. Shone, Z.- Q. Xu, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* **1996**, <u>39</u>, 1303

J. H. Looker, J. H. McMechan, J. W. Mader, Journal of Organic Chemistry, 1978, 43, 2344

Using the Scheme shown below, a series of substituted chromones was prepared. Yields ranged from 13-67%

V. Rossollin, V. Lokshin, A. Samat, R. Guglielmetti, Tetrahedron 2003, 59, 7725

Krapcho Dealkoxycarbonylation

The Reaction:

MX =(Li or Na)MCl, LiI, (Na or K) MCN

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\underset{R'}{\text{EWG}} \stackrel{O}{\underset{R''}{\text{PI}}} \stackrel{R}{\underset{O}{\text{PI}}} \stackrel{EWG}{\underset{R''}{\text{EWG}}} \stackrel{EWG}{\underset{R''}{\text{EWG}}} \stackrel{EWG}{\underset{R''}{\text{EWG}}} \stackrel{EWG}{\underset{R''}{\text{EWG}}} \stackrel{H_{2O}}{\underset{R''}{\text{EWG}}} \stackrel{H_{2O}}{\underset{R''}{\text{EWG$$

As evidence for an intermediate anion, there have been applications where an electrophile is captured.

Notes:

In solvents such as DMSO and DMF, the $C\Gamma$ is not solvated; thus, it's nucleophilicity is enhanced for the required S_N2 displacement.

This reaction is greatly accelerated under microwave conditions.

$$R = H 8 \text{ min, } 96\%$$

$$R = Bu 20 \text{ min, } 89\%$$

L. Perreux, A. Loupy, Tetrahedron 2001, 57, 9199.

Examples:

P. J. Garratt, J. R. Porter, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1986, 51, 5450

G. H. Posner, E. M. Shulman-Roskes, Tetrahedron 1992, 48, 4677

P. A. Evans, L. J. Kennedy, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 1234

D. A. Evans, K. A. Scheidt, C. W. Downey, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3009

MeCO₂C
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Me}}$$
 $\xrightarrow{\text{CHO}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{CN}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{DMSO}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Me}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Me}}$

A. Toro, P. Nowak, P. Deslongchamps, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 4526

Via direct attack of the carbonyl by water, followed by decarboxylation of the resulting half acid.

D. P. Curran, Q. Zhang, Advanced Synthesis and Catalysis 2003, 345, 329

Kröhnke Pyridine Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

F. Krohnke, Synthesis 1976, 1 (Review)

N. C. Fletcher, D. Abeln, A. von Zelewsky Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 8577

E. C. Constable, M. J. Hannon, D. R. Smith, Tetrahedron Letters 1994, 35, 6657

T. R. Kelly, Y.-J. Lee, R. J. Mears, Journal of Organic Chemistry. 1997, 62, 2774

Kucherov Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R \xrightarrow{\qquad} R + H_2O \xrightarrow{\qquad} H_2O \xrightarrow{\qquad} R \xrightarrow{\qquad} R$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See also: Oxy-and Solvomercuration

A discussion about the protonation of acetylene: V. Lucchini and G. Modena, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1990, 112, 6291

Other alkyne hydration reactions:

W. Hiscox, P. W. Jennings, Organometallics 1990 9, 1997

Examples:

Anti-Markovnikov hydration of a terminal alkyne:

T. Suzuki, M. Tokunaga, Y. Wakatsuki, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 735

V. Janout, S. L. Regen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1982, 47, 3331

Hydration of a nitrile:

$$R = N \xrightarrow{Hg(OAc)_2} R \xrightarrow{\bigoplus} N - HgOAc \xrightarrow{\bigoplus}_{OAc} \xrightarrow{H_2O}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} AcO & HO & HO \\ R & HgOAc & R & HgOAc \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{H_2O} R \xrightarrow{\bigoplus} N \xrightarrow{H_2O} R \xrightarrow{H_2O} N \xrightarrow{H_2O}$$

By this method:

92%

K. Maeyama, N. Iwasawa, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1998, 120, 1928

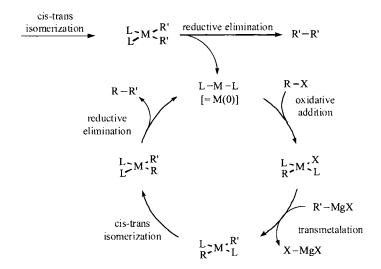
Kumada Coupling Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R-X + R'-MgX$$
 $M(0)$
 $THF \text{ or } DMF$
 $M = Ni \text{ or } Pd$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} L - M \stackrel{C}{\cdot} L & & \frac{R - X}{C \cdot I} & & \frac{L}{C \cdot I} - M \stackrel{R}{\cdot} L & & \frac{R' - MgX}{transmetalation} & & \frac{L}{R'} - M \stackrel{R'}{\cdot} M \stackrel{R'}{\cdot} M & & \frac{R'}{L'} \end{array}$$



Notes:

For R-X: When M = Ni, Cl > Br > I; when M = Pd, I > Br > Cl

Reaction is limited by any functional group that will normally react with a Grignard reagent.

Examples:

Ar-Cl + Ar-MgX
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Ni(COD)}_2}$$
 Ar-Ar
$$H \xrightarrow{P} t\text{-Bu}$$
MeO \leftarrow Cl + \leftarrow MgCl $\xrightarrow{\text{Ni(COD)}_2}$ MeO \leftarrow MeO

G. Y. Li, W. J. Marshall, Organometallics 2002, 21, 590

An important influence of butadiene on the reaction has been noted:

NiCl₂

Mechanistically:

$$\begin{array}{c} R-R' \\ \text{reductive} \\ \text{elimination} \end{array} \stackrel{L-Ni-L}{\underset{[=Ni(0)]}{\text{elimination}}} \stackrel{\text{oxidative}}{\underset{\text{addition}}{\text{addition}}}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} R-R' \\ \text{reductive} \\ \text{elimination} \end{array} \stackrel{\text{oxidative}}{\underset{\text{addition}}{\text{modified}}} \stackrel{\text{oxidative}}{\underset{\text{addition}}{\text{addition}}}$$

J. Terao, H. Watanabe, A. Ikumi, H. Kuniyasu, N. Kambe, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 4222

Examples:

P. Walla, C. O. Kappe, Chemical Communications 2004, 564

K. Tamoa, S. Kodama, I. Nakajima, M. Kumada, A. Minato, K. Suzuki, Tetrahedron 1982, 38, 3347

Lemieux-Johnson Oxidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

The NaIO₄ serves two purposes: (1) cleavage of the diol generated from the OsO₄ and, (2) reoxidation of the reduced osmium.

Notes:

See also the Lemieux-von Rudloff Reagent, where catalytic KMnO4 is used in place of OsO4:

The *Malaprade Periodic Acid Oxidation Reaction* oxidizes 1,2 diols or 2-amino alcohols with periodic acid:

HO OH
$$R''$$
 R'' R''

B. H. Nicolrt, L. A. Shinn, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1939, 61, 1615

Recent example of Malaprade Reaction:

L. Vares, T. Rein, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 7226

Criegee Glycol Oxidation

See: Criegee Reagent

Examples:

Not isolated; carried on to the next step.

F. A. Luzzio, A. V. Mayrov, W. D. Figg, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 2275

Taken directly to the next step.

S. Takahashi, A. Kubota, T. Nakata, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1353

D. Zuev, L. A. Paquette, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 679

M. J. Sung, H. I. Lee, Y. Chong, J. K. Cha, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 2017

Leuckart Reaction / Reductive Amination

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

A common mechanistic interpretation involves hydride transfer in the reduction of the immonium ion intermediate:

Another interpretation:

See: P. I. Awachie, V. C. Agwada, Tetrahedron 1990, 46, 1899

Notes:

This reaction refers to the case when a ketone or aldehyde is reductively aminated, using ammonium formate or another amine salt of formic acid.

When conducted in excess formic acid, so that the formic acid is the hydride source, the reaction is called the *Wallach Reaction*.

See also the Eschweiler-Clarke Methylation and the Borche Reduction.

Examples:

B. M. Adger, U. C. Dyer, I. C. Lennon, P. D. Tiffin, S. E. Ward, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 2153

73%

M. Kitamura, D. Lee, S. Hayashi, S. Tanaka, M. Yoshimura, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 8685

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{N} \\ \text$$

M. Allegretti, R. Anacardio, M. C. Cesta, R. Curti, M. Mantovanini, G. Nano, A. Topai, G. Zampella, Organic Process Research & Development 2003, 7, 209

Lieben Haloform (Iodoform) Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Cl2 and Br2 can also be used besides I2.

This reaction has long been considered a chemical test.

Since the reaction conditions are oxidative, alcohols such as

H will oxidize to the corresponding carbonyl compound and give a positive iodoform test.

Examples:

M. S. Newman, H. L. Holme, Organic Syntheses, CV2, 428

M. D. Levin, P. Kosznski, J. Michl, Organic Syntheses, 77, 249

Liebeskind-Srogl Coupling

The Reaction:

Cu(I) carboxylate

Cu(I) carboxylates include:

CuTC = Cu(I)thiophene-2-carboxylate CuMeSal = copper(I) 3-methylsalicylate

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The reaction proceeds under nonbasic conditions.

Examples:

C. L. Kusturin, L. S. Liebeskind, W. L. Neumann, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 983

A. Lengar, C. O. Kappe, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 771

C. Kusturin, L. S. Liebeskind, H. Rahman, K. Sample, B. Schweitzer, J. Srogl, W. L. Neumann, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 4349

Thioimidate-Kumuda Cross-Coupling variation:

D. M. Mans, W. H. Pearson, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2004, 69, 6419

Lindlar Reduction

The Reaction:

$$R = R = \frac{1 \text{ equiv. H}_2}{\text{Pd } / \text{CaCO}_3, \text{PbAc}_2 \text{ or quinoline}} \qquad R = \text{quinoline}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Generally an alkene will reduce to an alkane, however, the "poisoned" catalyst suppresses the ability for this to readily occur.

See Lindlar catalyst

Examples:

T. Lindel, M. Hochgurtel, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 2806

A. Tai, F. Matsumura, H. C. Coppel, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1969, 34, 2180

Quinoline was added to the reduction mixture. A. Furstner, T. Dierkes, *Organic Letters* **2000**, <u>2</u>, 2463

T. Itoh, N. Yamazaki, C. Kibayashi, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2469

MPMO

Me Me Me

OTBS

$$M_{e}$$

Me Me

Me Me

MPMO

 M_{e}

Me Me

 M_{e}
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K. Suenaga, K. Araki, T. Sengoku, D. Uemura, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 527

Lössen Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & O & R' & base \\
R & O & R' & -R'COO & O & N & H \\
R & O & O & R' & -R'COO & O & N & H \\
R & O & O & O & N & R & -R'COO & O & N & R
\end{array}$$

Notes:

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
O & Ac_2O & or & O \\
R & N & Ac_2O & or & O \\
R & N & Ac_2O & or & O \\
R & N & O & R
\end{array}$$

Examples:

hydroxamic acid

L. Baue, S. V. Miarha, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1959; 24, 1293

J.Bergman, J.-O. Lindstriim, Tetrahedron Letters 1976, 17, 3615

P. W. Needs, N. M. Rigby, S. G. Ring, A. J. MacDougall, Carbohydrate Research, 2001, 333, 47

Luche Reduction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

A. L. Gemal, J.-L. Luche, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1981, 103, 5454

The cerium reagent coordinates to the carbonyl, making only a 1,2 addition possible.

Notes:

The major use of the *Luche conditions* is found in applications where conjugate addition needs to be suppressed. However, there are a number of reports where stereoselectivity has been modified with this reducing protocol.

Reported in: L. A. Paquette, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1031

J. L. Luche, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1978, 100, 2226

Examples:

A. L. Gemal, J. L. Luche, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1979, 44, 4187

K. Takao, G. Watanabe, H. Yasui, K. Tadano, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2941

K. Agapiou, M. J. Krische, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1737

W. W. Cutchins, F. E. McDonald, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 749

L. A. Paquette, D. T. Belmont, Y.-L. Hsu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1985, 50, 4667

D. L. Comins, A. L. Williams, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3217

Macrolactonization Methods

See: R. H. Boeckman, Jr., S. W. Goldstein, in *The Total Synthesis of Natural Products*, edited by J. ApSimon, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1988, Chapter 1, for a useful review of macrocyclic lactone syntheses.

A key feature of most macrolactonization protocols is enhancement of the acyl group.

The Reaction:

Corey-Nicoloau Macrocyclization

$$(COOH HO) \xrightarrow{N} (S)_2 (S)_2 (S)_1 (S)_2 (S)_2 (S)_1 (S)_2 (S)_2 (S)_2 (S)_1 (S)_2 ($$

Keck Macrolactonization

Masamune Macrolactonization

COOH HO

$$t$$
-Bu

 t -Bu

Mitsunobu Macrolactonization See: Mitsunobu Lactonization

COOH OH
$$Et_3N$$
 O $\oplus PPh_3$ O O ...

Mukaiyama's Macrolactonization See Mukaiyama's Reagent

Yamaguchi's Macrolactonization See: Yamaguchi's Esterification

Yamamoto's Macrolactonization

See: Yamamoto's Reagent, Yamamoto's Esterification

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Madelung Indole Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See other Indole Syntheses, in *Heterocyclic Syntheses*

Examples:

W. Fuhrer, H. W. Gschwend, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1979, 44, 1133

A. Wu, V. Snieckus, Tetrahedron Letters 1975, 16, 2057

F. T. Tyson, Organic Syntheses 1943, 23, 42

W. J. Houlihan, V. A. Parrino, Y. Uike, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1981, 46, 4511

Malonic Ester Synthesis

The Reaction:

RO
OR
$$\frac{1. \text{ Base}}{2. \text{ R'-X}} \xrightarrow{\text{hydrolysis} \atop \text{decarboxylation}} \text{HO}$$

$$\frac{\text{H}}{\text{R'}} + \text{HOR} + \text{CO}_2$$

$$\frac{1 \times \text{OP}}{1 \times \text{OP}} = \frac{1. \text{ Base}}{2. \text{ R'-X}} \xrightarrow{\text{hydrolysis}} \text{HO}$$

R often = ethyl = malonic ester

Proposed Mechanism:

The methylene protons, being influenced by This part of the sequence is an enolate alkylation. two carbonly groups, are the most acidic.

A second alkylation may occur (with a different electrophile if desired.)

Under basic conditions, the both esters are saponified to acids. (Arrows are shown for one.)

Carboxylic acids exist as carboxylate ions in base.

The carboxylates are protonated in acid and with heat, α -keto acids can decarboxylate, liberateing CO_2

$$H$$
 O
 H
 O
 H
 H
 H
 H
 H
 H

The resulting enol undergoes keto-enol tautomerism to give the final acid product.

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 549; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 178-181

Malonitrile provides similar chemistry

CN

1. NaH, THF

2. CH₂Br

NC

CN

NC

NC

CN

NC

NC

CN

N

B. Koenig, W. Pitsch, I. Dix, P. G. Jones, Synthesis 1996, 446

Examples:

C. Y. DeLeon, B. Ganem, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 8730

EtOOC 1. NaH, THF
$$CH_2$$
 1. NaH, THF CH_2 20°C, 1 h $COOEt$ 2. Allyl bromide overnight $COOEt$ 1 $COOEt$ 1 $COOEt$ 2. 1-(CH₂)5- $COOEt$ EtOOC $COOEt$

T. Yamazaki, A. Kasatkin, Y. Kawanaka, F. Sata, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 2266

T. Takasu, S. Maiti, A. Katsumata, M. Mihara, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 2157

E. C. Taylor, J. E. Macor, L. G. French, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1991, 56, 1807

Mannich Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Eschemoser's salt.

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1189; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 182-184; F. F. Blicke, *Organic Reactions* 1, 10; J. H. Brewster, E. L. Eliel, *Organic Reactions* 7, 3.

The imminium ion can be trapped by other nucleophiles:

$$n$$
-Bu $\xrightarrow{\bigcirc}$ BF₃ K $\xrightarrow{Bn_2NH, CH_2O}$ n -Bu $\xrightarrow{N-Bn}$ N -Bn

BmimBF₄ = butylmethylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate G. W. Kabalka, B. Venkataiah, G. Dong *Tetrahedron Letters* **2004**, 45, 729

Mannich-Eschenmoser Methylenation

$$\begin{array}{c}
1. \text{ LDA} \\
2. = N \oplus \\
3. \text{ MeI} \\
4. \text{ Base}
\end{array}$$

Examples:

H. Arnold, L. E. Overman, M. J. Sharp, M. C. Witschel Organic Syntheses 1992, 70, 111

Me^{-N}Bn S. Liras, C. L. Lynch, A. M. Fryer, B. T. Vu, S. F. Martin, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2001**, <u>123</u>, 5918

S. Matsunaga, N. Kumagai, S. Harada, M. Shibasaki, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2003**, 125, 4712

B. List, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 9336

Marschalk Reaction

The Reaction:

O OH (or NH₂)
$$\frac{1. \text{ NaOH, Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_4}{2. \text{ O}}$$

$$\frac{1. \text{ NaOH, Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_4}{2. \text{ O}}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

K. Krohn, W. Baltus, Tetrahedron 1988, 44, 49

K. Muller, R. Altmann, H. Prinz, European Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 2002, 37, 83

K. Krohn, E. Broser, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1984, 49, 3766

A. B. Argade, A. R. Mehendale, N. R. Ayyangar, Tetrahedron Letters 1986, 27, 3529

K. Krohn, W. Priyono, Tetrahedron 1984, 40, 4609

McFadyen-Stevens Aldehyde Synthesis (McFadyen-Stevens Reduction)

The Reaction:

R = Ar or alkyl with no α -protons

Proposed Mechanism:

Alternate carbene mechanism:

Notes

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 534.

Starting material preparation:

Examples:

M. S. Newman, E. G. Caflisch, Jr., Journal of the American Chemical Society 1958, 80, 862

F. Gavina, A. M. Costero, A. M. Gonzalez, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1990, 55, 2060

C. C. Dudman, P. Grice, C. B. Reese, Tetrahedron Letters 1980, 21, 4645

H. Babad, W. Herbert, A. W. Stiles, Tetrahedron Letters 1966, 7, 2927

McLafferty Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c}
A \\
H \\
R
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
A \\
D \\
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
A \\
\end{array}$$

$$A, B, X = \text{carbon or heteroatom}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

After an electron is lost, the γ hydrogen is abstracted, followed by fragmentation.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
A & & \\
& \downarrow & \\
B & D & \\
\end{array}$$

D. G. I. Kingston, J. T. Bursey, M. M. Bursey, Chemical Reviews 1974, 74, 215

Notes:

The reaction is most commonly associated with the mass spectral fragmentations of carbonyl derivatives.

A secondary hydrogen atom will migrate about ten times better than a primary hydrogen atom.

The reaction is often compared to a similar photochemical reaction:

Norrish Type II Cleavage

There is also the Norrish Type I Cleavage:

$$R'(H)$$
 hv $R'(H)$ $+$ R

Rather than fragmentation of *Norrish Type II* biradicals, cyclization can occur. This is called the *Yang Cyclization*:

Examples:

A double McLafferty Rearrangement:

G. Eadon, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1972, 94, 8938

The utility of the *McLafferty rearrangement* in assigning structures is easily documented: For each example, the important atoms are shown **in bold**.

J. E. Baldwin, S. P. Romeril, V. Lee, T. D. W. Claridge, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 1145

N. Carballeira, V. Pagan, Journal of Natural Products 2001, 64, 620

W. Engel, Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry 2002, 50, 1686

McMurry (Olefination) Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1561; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 184-187

See: McMurry Reagent

The reaction of a ketone with an amide provides a unique entry into the indole skeleton (*Furstner Indole Synthesis*).

A. Furstner, B. Bogdanovic, Angewandte Chemie International Edition in English 1996, 35, 2442; A. Furstner, D. N. Jumbam, Tetrahedron 1992, 48, 5991

Examples:

E. Lee, C. H. Yoon, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 5929

A. S. Kende, S. Johnson, P. San Filippo, J. C. Hodges, L. N. Jungheim, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1986, 108, 3513

A. Furstner, O. R. Thiel, N. Kindlar, B. Bartkowska, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 7990

F. B. Mallory, K. E. Butler, A. Bérubé, E. D. Luzik, Jr., C. W. Mallory, E. J. Brondyke, R. Hiremath, P. Ngo, P. Carroll, *Tetrahedron* **2001**, <u>57</u>, 3715

T. Eguchi, K. Ibaragi, K. Kakinuma, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1998, 63, 2689

Meerwein-Ponndorf-Verley Reduction

The Reaction:

This is the reverse of the Oppenauer Oxidation.

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1199; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 187-188; A. Wilds, *Organic Reactions* 2, 5.

A Hamett analysis provides $\rho = 0.33$; suggestive of a not-strongly ionized transition state.

T. Kamitanaka, T. Matsuda, T. Haradon, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 4551

Examples:

T. K. M. Shing, C. M. Lee, H. Y. Lo, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 8361

Simple alcohol epimerization via a redox system:

R. Vanderesse, G. Feghouli, Y. Fort, P. Caubere, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1990, 55, 5916

A catalytic reaction:

E. J. Campbell, H. Zhou, S. T. Nguyen, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2391

Meinwald Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1398.

A more generic reaction generally associated with this Name Reaction is:

$$Ph \qquad R'' \qquad Ph \qquad R'' \qquad Ph \qquad R'' \qquad Ph \qquad R'' \qquad Ph \qquad R''$$

Examples:

S. Niwayama, S. Kobayashi, M. Ohno, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1994, 116, 3290

Y. Kita, A. Furukawa, J. Futamura, K. Higuchi, K. Ueda, H. Fujioka, Tetrahedron 2001, 57, 815

TBDMS
$$(CH_2)_4CH_3$$

$$O$$

$$H$$

$$CH_2Cl_2$$

$$+$$

$$1:1$$

$$+$$

$$1:1$$

$$H$$

$$O$$

$$CH_2Cl_3$$

$$+$$

$$1:1$$

$$H$$

$$O$$

$$CH_2Cl_3$$

$$+$$

$$CH_2Cl_3$$

$$+$$

$$CH_2Cl_3$$

$$+$$

$$CH_2Cl_3$$

$$+$$

$$CH_2Cl_3$$

$$+$$

$$CH_2CH_3$$

A.D. Baxter, S. M. Roberts, M. Roberts, F. Scheinmann, B. J. Wakefield, R. F. Newton, *Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications* **1983**, 932

Use of IrCl3 catalyst:

I. Karame, M. L. Tommasino, M. Lemaire, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 7687

Meisenheimer Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c} R^{"} \stackrel{R'}{\longrightarrow} \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} R^{"} \stackrel{R'}{\longrightarrow} \\ 0 \\ \end{array}$$

Usually allyl or benzyl.

Proposed Mechanism:

Ionic and radical mechanisms have been proposed:

or

$$\begin{bmatrix}
R'' & R' & R' & R'' & R''$$

U. Schöllkopf, M. Patsch, H. Schäfer, Tetrahedron Letters 1964, 5, 2515;

N. Castagnoli, Jr., J. C. Craig, A. P. Melikian, S. K. Roy, Tetrahedron 1970, 26, 4319

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1420

A 2,3-sigmatropic rearrangement is possible:

Examples:

J. E. H. Buston, I. Coldham, K. R. Mulholland, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1998, 9, 1995

T. S. Bailey, J. B. Bremner, D. C. Hockless, B. W. Skelton, A. H. White, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1994, 35, 2409

C. Didier, D. J. Critcher, N. D. Walshe, Y. Kojima, Y. Yamauchi, A. G. M. Barrett, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2004**, <u>69</u>, 7875

S. Saba, P. W. Domkowski, F. Firooznia, Synthesis 1990, 921

J. E. H. Buston, I. Coldham, K. R. Mulholland, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1999, 2327

J. Blanchet, M. Bonin, L. Micouin, H.-P. Husson, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 8279

Meta Photocycloaddition Reaction of Arenes

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See: http://www.stanford.edu/group/pawender/html/photo.html for a useful overview of the important work of the Wender group and its use of this reaction.

In this drawing it is apparant that the ring has excellent potential for synthesis. By proper design of cyclopropane cleavage one can arrive at a number of important ring systems:

or withdrawing group.

Examples:

P. A. Wender, R. J. Ternansky, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 2625

G. P. Kalena, P. Pradhan, V. S. Puranik, A. Banerji, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 2011

P. A. Wender, T. W. von Geldern, B. H. Levine, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1988, 110, 4858

Meyer-Schuster propargyl alcohol rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$\xrightarrow[HO]{} \frac{H_2SO_4}{} \qquad \xrightarrow[H]{} O$$

Proposed Mechanism:

M. Edens, D. Boerner, C. R. Chase, D. Nass, M. D. Schiavelli, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1977, 42, 3403

Notes:

The Meyer-Schuster Rearrangement is similar to the Rupe Rearrangement.

When R'' = H, an aldehyde is the product. R' may be H

No aldehyde product

Examples:

D. Crich, S. Natarajan, J. Z. Crich, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 7139

OH

No yield given
$$T_{rt}'$$
 $Trt = trityl = Ph_3C$

H. Stark, B. Sadek, M. Krause, A. Huls, X. Ligneau, C. R. Ganellin, J.-M. Arrang, J.-C. Schwartz, W. Schunak, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 2000, 43, 3987

M.Yoshimatsu, M. Naito, M. Kawahigashi, H. Shimizu, T. Kataoka, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1995, 60, 4798

$$C_{N}$$
 C_{N} C_{N

G. R. Brown, D. M. Hollinshead, E. S. E. Stokes, D. S. Clarke, M. Eakin, A. J. Foubister, S. C. Glossop, D. Griffiths, M. C. Johnson, F. McTaggart, D. J. Mirrlees, G. J. Smith, R. Wood, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 1999, 42, 1306

Michael Reaction

The Reaction:

1,4 additions to enones

Proposed Mechanism:

See: T. Poon, B. P. Mundy, T. W. Shattuck, Journal of Chemical Education, 2002, 79, 264

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 1022-1024; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 189-191; E. D. Bergmann, D. Ginsburg, R. Pappo, *Organic Reactions* 10, 3; T. Mukaiyama, S. Kobayashi, *Organic Reactions* 46, 1; R. D. Little, M. R. Masjedizadeh, O. Wallwuist, J. I. McLoughlin, *Organic Reactions* 47, 2.

In a strict sense the name of this reaction should only be applied to C-based 1,4-nucleophilic addition reactions. There have been interpretations to include other hetero-based nucleophiles.

For these reactions one can always consider the potential competition of 1,2- vs. 1,4 addition:

Examples:

K. Majima, R. Takita, A. Okada, T. Ohshima, M. Shibasaki, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 15837

An Aza-Michael Addition:

Ionic liquids: <u>BmimPF</u>₆, BmimBr, BmimBF₄ Catalysts: Et₃N, pyridine

L.-W. Xu, L. Li, C.-G. Xia, S.-L. Zhou, J.-W. Li, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 1219

D. M. Gordon, S. J. Danishefsky, G. K. Schulte, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1992, 57, 7052

COOEt NaH EtOH
$$76\%$$
 0 Me

S. Nara, T. Toshima, A. Ichihara, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 9509

LiClO₄ accelerated reactions under solvent-free conditions:

N. Azizi, M. R. Saidi, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 383

K. Makino, O. Hara, Y. Takiguchi, T. Katano, Y. Asakawa, K. Hatano, Y. Hamada, *Tetrahedron Letters* 2003, 44, 8925

Mislow-Evans Rearrangement (Evans (-Mislow) Rearrangement)

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} R & & & \Delta & & \\ O & & & P(OMe_3)_3 & & R & OH \\ S & & & & ArSCl & \\ \hline & & & Et_3N & & \end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1455.

The reverse reaction is accomplished by a reaction with ArSCl and thermal rearrangement.

The selectivity for *E*-isomers should increase as $R^1 > R^2$ increases.

T. Sato, J. Otera, H. Nozaki, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 2779

Examples:

D. A. Evans, G. C. Andrews, T. T. Fujimi, D. Wells, Tetrahedron Letters 1973, 14, 1385

A. K. Mapp, C. H Heathcock, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 23

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc} Ph & & CH_2 & & 1. \ H_2O_2, MeOH & & HO & CH_2 \\ \hline U & & 2. \ Et_2NH & & & \\ OMe & & & OMe & & OMe \\ \end{array}$$

T. Mandai, K. Osaka, M. Kawagishi, M. Kawada, J. Otera, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1984, 49, 3595

Reported in a Review: A. B. Smith, III, C. M. Adams, Accounts of Chemical Research 2004, 37, 365

Mitsunobu Lactonization

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Diethylazodicarboxylate

triphenylphosphine oxide

Notes:

See: Mitsunobu Reaction and Macrolactonization Methods.

This lactonization process inverts the stereochemistry of the alcohol portion of the lactone.

Examples:

HOOC OBn OBn
$$Ph_3P$$
, DEAD OBn OBn OBn OBn OBn

S. Takahashi, A. Kubota, T. Nakata, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1353

A. B. Smith, III, G. A. Sulikowski, K. Fujimoto, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1989**, 111, 8039

M. T. Crimmins, M. G. Stanton, S. P. Allwein, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 5959

Mitsunobu Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\frac{1. \text{ PPh}_3, \text{ DEAD}, H^{\bigoplus}}{2. \text{ :Nu}} + \frac{0}{\text{Ph}} + \frac{1}{\text{Ph}} + \frac{1}{\text{Ph$$

Proposed Mechanism:

DEAD = Diethylazodicarboxylate

EtO

NH:

$$Ph_3P$$

OEt

 Ph_3P

OEt

 Ph_3P

OEt

 Ph_3P

OEt

 Ph_3P

OEt

phosphonium salt

triphenylphosphine oxide

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 486; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 192-194; D. L. Hughes, *Organic Reactions* 42, 2

A number of nucleophilic displacements from the *Mitsunobu* intermediate are possible:

When a carboxylic acid is used as the nucleophile, simple ester hydrolysis releases the alcohol, providing an inversion of alcohol stereochemistry.

Examples:

OH
$$\overline{\tilde{t}}$$
-Bu $\frac{1. \text{ DEAD, Ph}_3\text{P, ArCO}_2\text{H}}{2. \text{ NaOH}}$ $\frac{1. \text{ DEAD, Ph}_3\text{P, ArCO}_2\text{H}}{\tilde{O}}$

M. T. Crimmins, J. M. Pace, P. G. Nantermet, A. S. Kim-Meade, J. B. Thomas, S. H. Watterson, A. S. Wagman, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1999**, <u>121</u>, 10249

$$Ph_3P$$
, DIAD

K. Kadota, M. Takeuchi, T. Taniguchi, K. Ogasawdra, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 1769

N. Defacqz, V. Tran-Trieu, A. Cordi, J. Marchand-Brynaert, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 9111

Mitsunobu Etherification:

S. J. Gregson, P. W. Howard, D. R. Gullick, A. Hamaguchi, K. E. Corcoran, N. A. Brooks, J. A. Hartley, T. C. Jenkins, S. Patel, M. J. Guille, D. E. Thurston, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* **2004**, 47, 1161

A general protocol:

OH
$$HN-Boc$$
 1. Mitsunobu R H_2N-N H_2N-N H_2N-N H_3N-N H_4N-N H_4N-N

N. Brosse, A. Grandeury, B. Jamart-Gregoire, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 2009

Miyaura Boration Reaction

The Reaction:

$$Ar-I$$
 + O $B-B$ O $Ar-B$ O $Ar-B$ O

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

T. Ishiyama, Y. Itoh, T. Kitano, N. Miyaura, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 3447

T. Ishiyama, M. Murata, N. Miyaura, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1995, 60, 7508

Morin Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

R. B. Morin, B. G. Jackson, R. A. Mueller, E. R. Lavagnino, W. B. Scanlon, S. L. Andrews, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1963, 85, 1896

An intermediate of this rearrangement has been trapped:

J. D. Freed, D. J. Hart, N. A. Magomedov, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 839

Examples:

D. J. Hart, N. Magomedov, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 2990

T. Fekner, J. E. Baldwin, R. M. Adlington, D. J. Schofield, *Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications* **1996**, 1989

A. Nudelman, R. J. McCaully, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1977, 42, 2887

J. P. Clayton, J. H. C. Nayler, M. J. Pearson, R. Southgate, *Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1* **1974**, 22

V. Farina, J. Kant, Tetrahedron Letters 1992, 33, 3559

Mukaiyama Reaction

The Reaction:

TMS O
$$R''$$
 Lewis Acid R''' R''' R''' R'''

Proposed Mechanism:

$$R''' \xrightarrow{R''} R \xrightarrow{SiMe_3} R''' \xrightarrow{R''} R \xrightarrow{R'''} R \xrightarrow{R'''} R$$

alternate view to address stereochemistry, R'" = H

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001,p.1223.

A variant with enones: the Mukaiyama Michael Reaction:

$$Me_{3}Si_{O}$$

$$R'' \longrightarrow R'' \longrightarrow R' \longrightarrow R'$$

Examples:

OTMS + OMe O + OTBS
$$(C_6F_5)_2SnBr_2$$
Ph + OEt 82%

O OMe OH O
Ph OEt

J.-x. Chen, J. Otera, Angewandte Chemie International Edition in English 1998, 37, 91

TBDMS O
$$t$$
-BuO t -B

A. Ishii, J. Kojima, K. Mikami, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 2013

Control of water with the InCl3 is critical to the reaction.

S. Chancharunee, P. Perlmutter, M. Statton, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 44, 5683

OBn O H + Me OMe
$$\frac{MgBr_2}{Et_2O}$$
 OBn OH O OMe $\frac{MgBr_2}{Me Me B}$ OMe $\frac{OBn OH O}{Me Me B}$ OMe $\frac{OBn OH O}{Me Me B}$ OMe $\frac{OBn OH O}{Me Me B}$

Y. Guindon, K. Houde, M. Prevost, B. Cardinal-David, B. Daoust, M. Benchegroun, B. Guerin, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 8496

A. R. Chaperon, T. M. Engeloch, R. Neier, Angewandte Chemie International Edition in English 1998, 37, 358

Developed and tested a new approach to a common natural products submit S. P. Brown, N. C. Goodwin, D. W. C. MacMillan, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2003**, 125, 1192

Mundy N-Acyllactam Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Not established, however the path of ¹⁴C label as follows:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & CaO \\
 & N \\
 & O
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & CaO \\
 & A \\
 & N \\
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & CaO \\
 & N \\
\end{array}$$

Notes:

This sequence can provide easy access to substituted pyrrolines. For example, the simple synthesis of 2-phenylpyrroline:

B. P. Mundy, B. R. Larsen, L. F. McKenzie, G. Braden, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1972, 37, 1635

is also accomplished by:

K. L. Sorgi, C. A. Maryanoff, D. F. McComsey, B. E. Maryanoff, Organic Syntheses, Vol. 75, 215

Examples:

B. P. Mundy, B. R. Larsen, L. F. McKenzie, G. Braden, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1972, 37, 1635

R. K. Hill, T. Yuri, Tetrahedron 1977, 33, 1569

D. Villemin, M. Hachemi, Reaction Kinetics and Catalysis Letters 2001, 72, 3

S. Ravi, M. Easwatamourthy, Oriental Journal of Chemistry 2001, 17, 349 (AN 2001:775237)

Myers-Saito Cyclization / Schmittel Cyclization

The Reaction:

allenyl enyne

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes

See related chemistry of Bergman Cyclization:

$$\frac{\Delta}{2 \, \text{H}^{\bullet}}$$

Examples:

P. A. Wender, M. J. Tebbe, Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 1419

K. K. Wang, Z. Wang, A. Tarli, P. Gannett, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1996, 118, 10783

B. Liu, K. K. Wang, J. L. Petersen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 8503

M. Schmittel, J.-P. Steffen, D. Auer, M. Maywald, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 611

Nametkin Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1394.

A specific example of a Wagner - Meerwein rearrangement

An interesting experiment to analyze for trapping carbocation:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & Tf_2O \\ \hline CH_2Cl_2, MeCN \\ \hline 45\% \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline Me \\ \hline \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} Me \\ \hline \end{array}$$

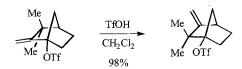
A. G. Martinez, E. T. Vilar, A. G. Fraile, A. H. Fernandez, S. De La Moya Cerero, F. M. Jimenez, *Tetrahedron* **1998**, <u>54</u>, 4607

An examination of torsional factors in the rearrangement:

P. C. Moews, J. R. Knox, W. R. Vaughan, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1978, 100, 260

Examples:

S. M. Starling, S. C. Vonwiller, J. N. H. Reek, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1998, 63, 2262



A. G. Martinez, E. Teso Vilar, A. G. Fraile, S. de la Cerero, M. E. R. Herrero, P. M. Ruiz, L. R. Subramanian, A. G. Gancedo, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* 1995, 38, 4474

Nazarov Cyclization

The Reaction:

$$\bigcap_{R} \bigoplus_{R} \bigoplus_{R} \bigcap_{R} \bigcap_{R$$

Proposed Mechanism:

"Curly Arrow Formalism"

"Electrocyclization Formalism"

$$\begin{bmatrix} & LUMO & \\ & & & \\$$

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1021; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 195-196; K. L. Habermas, S. C. Denmark, T. K. Jones, *Organic Reactions* **45**, 1.

Examples:

L. A. Paquette, H.-J. Kang, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1991, 113, 2610

J. A. Bender, A. M. Arif, F. G. West, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1999, 32, 7443

M. Meisch, L. Miesch-Gross, M. Franck-Neumann, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 2103

K.-F. Cheng, M.-K. Cheung, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transaction 1 1996, 11, 1213

T. Minami, M. Makayama, K. Fujimoto, S. Matsuo, Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications 1992, 2, 190

Me Me
$$\frac{\text{conc H}_2\text{SO}_4}{61\%}$$
 Me Me Me

J. Motoyoshiya, T. Yazaki. S. Hayashi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1991, 56, 735. This work studied rearrangements during the cyclization process.

W. He, X. Sun, A. J. Frontier, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 14278

G. Liang, S. N. Gradl, D. Trauner, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 4931

Neber Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Has been isolated

$$\bigoplus_{\substack{HN\\R}} O \qquad \qquad \underset{\substack{P\\H}}{\text{protic}} \qquad \qquad \bigoplus_{\substack{Workup\\R}} O \qquad \qquad \\ R \qquad \qquad$$

M. M. H. Verstappen, G. J. A. Ariaans, B. Zwanenburg, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1996, 118, 8491

(b)
$$R \longrightarrow R'$$

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 288, 1410; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, p. 197

The nitrene mechanism is not consistent with the outcome of a chiral-based study: T. Ooi, M. Takahashi, K. Doda, K. Maruoka, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2002**, <u>124</u>, 7640.

Unlike the similar <u>Beckmann rearrangement</u>, the stereochemistry of the oxime is not critical to the outcome of the reaction.

Examples:

Ts
$$OMe$$
 OMe
 OMe

N. K. Garg, D. D. Caspi, B. M. Stoltz, Journal of the American Chemical 2004, 126, 9552

T. Ooi, M. Takahashi, K. Doda, K. Maruoka Journal of the American Chemical 2002, 124, 7640

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ N & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ N & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ N & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ N & & \\ \hline & & & \\ N & & \\ \hline & & \\ N & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

J. Y. L. Chung, G.-J. Ho, M. Chartrain, D. Zhao, J. Leazer, R. Farr, M. Robbins, K. Emerson, D. J. Mathre, J. M. McNamaro, D. L. Hughes, E. J. J. Grabowski, P. J. Reider, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1999, 40, 6739

1. TsCl,
$$K_2CO_3$$
2. EtO

2. EtO

1. TsCl, K_2CO_3
2. EtO

1. TsCl, $K_$

I. Lopez, A. Diez, M. Rubiralta, Tetrahedron 1996, 52,. 8581-

Nef Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\stackrel{NO_2}{\longleftarrow}$$
 acid or basic $\stackrel{O}{\longleftarrow}$ an aldehyde or ketone

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

 $TiCl_3$ can be very effective for this reaction. This is called the *McMurry Modification of the Nef Reaction*.

J. E. McMurry, J. Melton, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1973, 38, 4367

Me
$$\frac{\text{TiCl}_3}{\text{Me}}$$
 $\frac{\text{TiCl}_3}{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$ $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{O}}$ $\frac{\text{O}}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{O}}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{O}}{\text{O}}$ $\frac{\text{O}}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{O}}{\text{O}}$ $\frac{\text{$

Basic permanganate can accomplish this conversion:

Examples:

C. A. Luchaco-Cullis, A. H. Hoveyda, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 8192

R. Williams, T. A. Brugel, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1023

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_2\text{Et} \\ \text{OH} \\ \text{NO}_2 \\ \text{H}_2\text{N} \\ \text{NH}_2 \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{1. aq NaOH} \\ \text{2. H}_2\text{SO}_4 \\ \text{3. NaOH, HOAc} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{OH} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{H} \end{array}$$

E. C. Taylor, B. Liu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 9938

Negishi Coupling

The Reaction:

$$R-ZnX \xrightarrow{\text{Ni or Pd}} R-R'$$

R = alkyl, alkenyl, aryl, allylic, benzylic R' = Alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, allylic, benzylic

E. Negishi, M. Kotora, C. Xu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 8957

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

For unactivated halides:

S. Huo, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 423

P. W. Manley, M. Acemoglu, W. Marterer, W. Pachinger, Organic Processes and Research Development 2003, 7, 436

Examples:

X. Zeng, Q. Hu, M. Qian, E.-i.Negishi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 13636

G. D. McAllister, R. J. K. Taylor, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 2551

J. M. Herbert, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 817

OLi
$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{OLi} \\
\text{ZnBr}_2, \text{PhBr} \\
\text{Pd(PPh}_3)_2(\text{OAc})_2
\end{array}$$
95%

M. Yus, J. Gomis, Tetrahedron Letters, 2001, 42, 5721

J. A. Panek, T. Hu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 4912

Me
$$Pd(P(t-Bu)_3)_2$$

$$Me \qquad Pd(P(t-Bu)_3)_2$$

$$Me \qquad 96\% \qquad Me$$

C. Dai, G. C. Fu, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 2719

Nenitzescu Acylation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Note similarities to the Friedel-Crafts Acylation.

Examples:

$$\bigcap_{\text{AlCl}_3, \text{HCl}, \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2} \bigcap_{\text{Cl}} \bigcap_{\text{C$$

J. A. Blair, C. J. Tate, Chemical Communications 1969, 1506

Yield not reported. Crude product was converted to the 2,4-D derivative.

L. H. Klemm, T. Largman, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1952, 74, 4458

M. L. Patil, G. K. Jnaneshwara, D. P. Sabde, M. K. Dongare, A. Sudalai, F. H. Deshpande, *Tetrahedron Letters*, 1997, 38, 2137

D. Villemin, B. Labiad, Synthetic Communications 1992, 22, 3181 (AN 1993:168726)

K. E. Harding, K. S. Clement, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1984, 49, 3870

T. Shono, I. Sishiguchi, M. Sasaki, H. Ikeda, M. Kurita, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1983, 48, 2503

Nenitzescu Indole Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The hydride transfer may be a bimolecular oxidation / reduction process.

Examples:

J. F. Poletto, M. J. Weiss, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1970, 35, 1190

A large assortment of substitution patterns prepared:

T. M. Boehme, C. E. Augelli-Szafran, H. Hallak, T. Pugsley, K. Serpa, R. D. Schwarz, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* **2002**, <u>45</u>, 3094

A solid-phase synthesis:

D. M. Ketcha, L. J. Wilson, D. E. Portlock, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 6253

R. Littell, G. R. Allen, Jr., Journal of Organic Chemistry 1968, 33, 2064

A modification used to prepare carbazoles:

R. Littell, G. O.Morton, G. R. Allen, Jr., Journal of the American Chemical Society 1970, 92, 3740

Nicholas Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R = \begin{array}{c} OR' \\ R'' \\ R''' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 1. Co_2(CO)_8 \\ 2. Lewis Acid \\ \hline 3. NuH \\ 4. [O] \end{array} \qquad R = \begin{array}{c} Nu \\ R'' \\ R''' \end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

A Ru-catalyzed variation:

Y. Nishibayashi, I. Wakiji, Y. Ishii, S. Uemura, M. Hidai, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2001**, <u>123</u>, 3393

Examples:

J. A. Cassel, S. Leue, N. I. Gachkova, N. C. Kann, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 9460

HO
OAC

$$Co_2(CO)_8$$

HO
OAC

 $Co_2(CO)_8$

OAC

F. R. P. Crisostomo, T. Martin, V. S. Martin, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 565

C. Mukai, H. Yamashita, M. Sassa, M. Hanaoka, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 2755

Niementowski Quinazoline Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

R. J. Chong, M. A. Siddiqui, V. Snieckus, Tetrahedron Letters 1986, 27, 5323

Examples:

R.J. Chong, M. A. Siddiqui, V. Snieckus, Tetrahedron Letters 1986, 27, 5323

G. Fantin, M. Fogagnolo, A. Medici, P. Pedrini, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1993, 58, 741

L. Domon, C. Le Coeur, A. Grelard, V. Thiery, T. Besson, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 6671

J. F. Meyer, E. C. Wagner, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1943, 8, 239

The major reactant, formed in situ, was

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O \\
OH \\
NH_2
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O \\
O \\
N \\
N
\end{array}$$

T. Kametani, C. V. Loc, T. Higa, M. Koizumi, M. Ihara, K. Fukumoto, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1977, 99, 2306

F. Alexandre, A. Berecibar, R. Wrigglesworth, T. Bessonb, Tetrahedron 2003, 59, 1413

Noyori Annulation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

In the original work, reaction with enamines:

Y. Hayakawa, K. Yokoyama, R. Noyori, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1978, 100, 1799

Examples:

$$O = S = O + Me$$

$$O = S = O$$

$$Me$$

$$O = S = O$$

$$Me$$

$$O = S = O$$

$$Me$$

$$Me$$

$$Me$$

$$Me$$

L. S. Hegedus, M. S. Holden, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1985, 50, 3920

T. Ishizu, M. Mori, K. Kanematsu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1981, 46, 526

Y. Hayakawa, K. Yokiyama, R. Noyori, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1978, 100, 1791

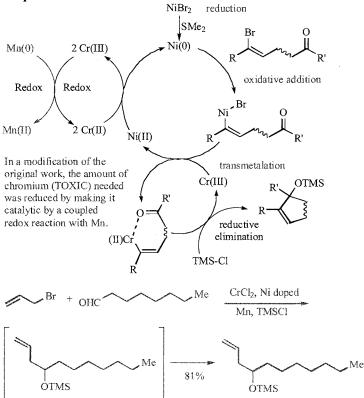
R. J. P. Corriu, J. J. E. Moreau, M. Pataud-Sat, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1990, 55, 2878

Nozaki-Hiyama-Kishi Reaction

The Reaction:

Br
$$O$$
 $CrCl_2$, $NiCl_2$ R OH OH

Proposed Mechanism:



A. Furstner, N. Shi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1996, 118, 12349

Notes:

P. Cintas, Synthesis 1992, 248

Disubstituted alkenyl halides maintain streochemistry in the product:

K. Takai, K. Kimura, T. Kuroda, T. Hiyama, H. Nozaki, Tetrahedron Letters 1983, 24, 5281

The occasional observation of ketone products can be rationalized by a Cr-mediated *Oppenauer* oxidation:

H. S. Schrekker, M. W. G. de Bolster, R. V. A. Orru, L. A. Wessjohann, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2002**, <u>67</u>, 1977

Examples:

X.-T. Chen, S. K. Bhattacharya, B. Zhou, C. E. Gutteridge, T. R. R. Pettus, S. J. Danishefsky, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1999, 121, 6563

B. M. Trost, A. B. Pinkerton, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 7714

X.-Q. Tang, J. Montgomery, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 6950

R. A. Pilli, M. M. Victor, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 2815

Oppenauer Oxidation

The Reaction:

$$H \xrightarrow{OH} \frac{Al(Oi-Pr)_3}{\text{acetone}} \xrightarrow{R} \stackrel{O}{R}$$

This is the reverse of the Meerwein-Ponndorf-Verley Reduction.

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1516; C. Djerassi, *Organic Reactions* 6, 5

An important feature of this reaction is the lack of over oxidation.

Examples:

A unique in-situ oxidation:

B. B. Snider, B. E. Goldman, Tetrahedron 1986, 42, 2951

Note also the oxidation

T. K. M. Shing, C. M. Lee, H. Y. Lo, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 8361

The *Oppenauer* product formed from an interaction of the expected product reacting with benzaldehyde in a Cr-catalyzed oxidation

H. S. Schrekker, M. W. G. de Bolster, R. V. A. Orru, L. A. Wessjohann, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2002**, <u>67</u>, 1975

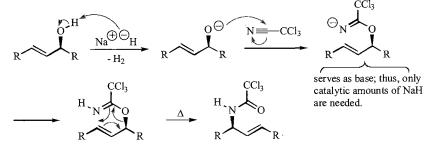
96%

K. G. Akamanchi, B. A. Chaudhari, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 6925

Overman Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:



Catalytic amounts of Hg(II) or Pd(II) work in some cases.

Notes:

Only catalytic amounts of NaH are needed (see above).

Examples:

M. Reilly, D. R. Anthony, C. Gallagher, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 2927

H. Ovaa, J. D. C. Codée, B. Lastdrager, H. S. Overkleeft, G. A. van der Marel, J. H. van Boom, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1999, 40, 5063

T. J. Donohoe, K. Blades, M. Helliwell, P. R. Moore, J. J. G. Winter, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1999**, 64, 2980

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{OH} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{OH} \\ \\ \text{O} \\ \text{OH} \\ \\ \text{O} \\ \text{Me} \\ \\ \text{O} \\$$

T. Nishikawa, M. Asai, N. Ohyabu, N. Yamamoto, Y. Fukuda, M. Isobe, *Tetrahedron* 2001, <u>57</u>, 3875

Oxy-Cope Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

HO
$$\frac{2}{3}$$
 $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{\Delta}{5}$ $\frac{H}{1}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{\text{keto-enol}}{1}$ $\frac{\text{tautomerism}}{6}$ $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{\text{keto-enol}}{1}$

Notes:

Useful Review: L. A. Paquette, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 13971

FMO theory predicts, and it is observed, that the reaction is greatly accelerated if the alcohol proton is removed (anion-accelerated). Many reactions of this type can be carried out at low temperature.

Anion-accelerated Oxy-Cope

From FMO theory we imagine the *LUMO* portion of the reacting pair will be of the same energy in both reactions; however, the *HOMO* is raised for the anion.

Examples:

L. A. Paquette, Z. Gao, Z. Ni., G. F. Smith, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 1271

S. F. Martin, J.-M. Assercq, R. E. Austin, A. P. Dantanarayana, J. R. Fishpaugh, C. Gluchowski, D. E. Guinn, M. Hartmann, T. Tanaka, R. Wagner, J. B. White, *Tetrahedron* **1995**, <u>51</u>, 3455

A.V. R. L. Sudha, M. Nagarajan, Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications, 1996, 1359

J.-F. Devaux, I. Hanna, J.-Y. Lallemand, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 5062

L. A. Paquette, D. R. Sauer, S. D. Edmondson, D. Friedrich, Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 4071

B. H. White, M. L. Snapper, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 14901

C. M. Tice, C. H. Heathcock, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1981, 46, 9

Oxy- and Solvomercuration

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\ &$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

This is a useeful extension of the much older <u>Hofmann-Sand reaction</u>, where an alkene reacts with a mercuric salt:

$$= + HgX_2 \xrightarrow{ROH} RO$$
R can be H RO

Cyclopropane rings can undergo the oxymercuration/demercuration reaction:

Piv-O
$$\underbrace{\frac{H}{\text{OTBDPS}}}_{\text{Me}}$$
 OTBDPS $\underbrace{\frac{1. \text{ Hg(OOCF}_3)_2, \text{ CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}{2. \text{ KBr (sat.)}}}_{3. \text{ n-Bu}_3\text{SnH, AIBN}}$ Piv-O $\underbrace{\text{OH}}_{\text{Me}}$ OH

J. Cossy, N. Blanchard, C. Meyer, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2567

An intramolecular reaction sometimes known as the Speckamp procedure

T. Fukuyama, G. Liu, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1996, 118, 7426

Examples:

S. D. Dreher, J. L. Leighton, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 341

L. E. Overman, C. B. Campbell, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1974, 39, 1474

L. E. Overman, R. M. Burk, Tetrahedron Letters 1984, 25, 5739

N. Takaishi, Y. Fujikura, Y. Inamoto, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1975, 40, 3767

This early start of the investigations into this reaction provides useful insights into looking at reactivity.

H. C. Brown, P. Geoghegan, Jr., Journal of the American Chemical Society 1967, 89, 1522

Paal-Knorr Furan Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$R \longrightarrow R$$
 H^{\oplus} $R \longrightarrow R$

or other Lewis Acids

Proposed Mechanism:

Paal-Knorr Pyrrole Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$O = \bigcap_{R \in R} O \xrightarrow{R'-NH_2} R \xrightarrow{\bigcap_{\substack{1 \\ R'}} R}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Proposed internalism:

$$O = R R O \longrightarrow H_2N-R' O \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow R' N H$$

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$$O = R R O \longrightarrow R' N H$$

$$O = R R O$$

Examples:

$$Me \xrightarrow{O} Me + t-BuNH_2 \xrightarrow{Ti(i-PrO)_4} Me \xrightarrow{N} Me$$

$$-22\% & t-Bu$$

$$-22\% &$$

Y. Dong, N. N. Pai, S. L. Ablaza, S.-X. Yu, S. Bolvig, D. A. Forsyth, P. W. LeQuesne, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1999, 64, 2657

C. E. Hewton, M. C. Kimber, D. K. Taylor, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 3199

H. S. P. Rao, S. Jothilingam, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 5392

Parham Cyclization

The Reaction:

$$X = Br, I_2$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

G. J. Quallich, D. E. Fox, R. C. Friedmann, C. W. Murtiashaw, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1992, 57, 761

M. I. Collado, N. Sotomayor, M.-J. Villa, E. Lete, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 6193

Using Weinreb amides:

J. Ruiz, N. Sotomayer, E. Lete, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1115

M. Plotkin, S. Chen, P. G. Spoors, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 2269

I. Osante, E. Lete, N. Sotomayor, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 1253

I. Gonza'lez-Temprano, I. Osante, E. Lete, N. Sotomayor, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2004**, <u>69</u>, 3875

Parikh-Doering Oxidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

A. B. Smith, III, C. M. Adams, S. A. L. Barbosa, A. P. O. Degnan, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2003**, <u>125</u>, 350

W. R. Roush, J. S. Newcom, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 4739

J. A. Panek, C. E. Masse, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 8290

A. B. Smith, III, W. Zhu, S. Shirakami, C. Sfouggatakis, V. A. Doughty, C. S. Bennett, Y. Sakamoto, *Organic Letters* **2003**, *5*, 761

M. J. Porter, N. J. White, G. E. Howells, D. D. P. Laffan, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 6541

Passerini Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c} R_{b} \\ R_{a} \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} H \xrightarrow{O} \begin{array}{c} R_{c} \\ R_{b} \\ R_{a} \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} R_{c} \\ R_{d} \\ \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} R_{d} \\ R_{d} \\ \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} R_{d} \\ R_{d} \\ \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} R_{d}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} H \\ O \\ O \\ R_b \\ R_a \\ N-R_d \end{array} \xrightarrow{proton} \begin{array}{c} Proton \\ R_c \\ O \\ R \\ R_b \end{array} \xrightarrow{R_d} \begin{array}{c} O \\ R_c \\ H \end{array} \xrightarrow{R_d} \begin{array}{c} R_d \\ R_d \\ R_d \\ R_d \end{array} \xrightarrow{R_d} \begin{array}{c} R_d \\ R_d \\ R_d \\ R_d \end{array} \xrightarrow{R_d} \begin{array}{c} R_d \\ R_d \\ R_d \\ R_d \end{array} \xrightarrow{R_d} \begin{array}{c} R_d \\ R_d \\ R_d \\ R_d \\ R_d \\ R_d \end{array} \xrightarrow{R_d} \begin{array}{c} R_d \\ R_d \\$$

Notes:

See: M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1252

Examples:

I. Lengyel, V. Cesare, T. Taldone, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 1107

J. E. Sample, T. D. Owens, K. Nguyen, O. E. Levy, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 2769

B. Henkel, B. Beck, B. Westner, B. Mejat, A. Domling, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 89

Et
$$OMe$$
 + $C \equiv N$ OMe $AcOH$ 80%

$$Me \xrightarrow{\text{Et}} \text{Et} \xrightarrow{\text{H}} N \xrightarrow{\text{OMe}} \frac{\text{TFAc}}{94\%} \qquad Me \xrightarrow{\text{N}} \text{H} \xrightarrow{\text{N}} N \xrightarrow{\text{OMe}} N \xrightarrow{\text{OMe}} N \xrightarrow{\text{OMe}} N \xrightarrow{\text{N}} N \xrightarrow{\text{N}$$

S. P. G. Costa, H. L. S. Maia, S. M. M. A. Pereira-Lima, Organic & Biomolecular Chemistry 2003, 1, 1475

Paterno-Buchi Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

This is a stepwise reaction with a diradical intermediate.

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 209-210; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1249-1250

The reaction is not concerted, as evidenced by reactions of *cis* and *trans* alkenes giving the same product mixture.

Examples:

M. C. de la Torre, I. Garcia, M. A. Sierra, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 6611

M. D'Auria, L. Emanuele, G. Poggi, R. Racioppi, G. Romaniello, Tetrahedron 2000, 58, 5045

S. A. Fleming, J. J. Gao, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 5407

$$i$$
-Pr $_{i}$

S. Buhr, G. Axel, J. Lex, J. Mattay, J. Schroeer, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 1195

H. A. J. Car-less, J. Beanland, S. Mwesigye-Kibende, Tetrahedron Letters 1987, 28, 5933

Pauson-Khand Cyclopentenone Annulation The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c} CH_{3} \\ \downarrow \\ C\\ \downarrow \\ CH_{3} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} CCO_{2}(CO)_{8} \\ \downarrow \\ CH_{3} \end{array}$$

isomers obtained with unsymmetrical alkyne

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1091; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 210-213; N. E. Schore, *Organic Reactions* 40, 1.

Ts
$$O_2(CO)_8$$
 $O_2(CO)_8$ O

D. A. Ockey, M. A. Lewis, N. E. Schore, *Tetrahedron* 2003, <u>59</u>, 5377

M. E. Krafft, J. A. Wright, L. V. R. Bonaga, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 3417

C. Mukai, M. Kobayashi, I. J. Kim, M. Hanacka, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 5225

P. Magnus, M. J. Slater, L. M. Principe, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 5148

K. M. Brummond, D. Gao, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 3491; K. M. Brummond, H. Chen, K. D. Fisher, A. D. Kerekes, B. Rickards, P. C. Sill, S. J. Geib, Organic Letters, 2002, 4, 1931

Payne Rearrangement

The Reaction:

base = NaOH, KOH, NaOR, NaSR

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 481; R. M. Hanson, *Organic Reactions* **60**, 1

An Aza-Payne reaction is also possible:

U. Rinner, P. Siengalewicz, T. Hudlicky, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 115

Examples:

D. Herlem, F. Khuong-Huu, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 673

V. Jaeger, D. Schroeter, B. Koppenhoefer, Tetrahedron 1991, 47, 2195

N. Cohen, B. L. Banner, R. J. Lopresti, F. Wong, M. Rosenberger, Y. Y. Liu, E. Thom, A. A. Liebman, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1983, 105, 3661

G. B. Payne, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1962, 27, 3819

$$\begin{array}{c|c} OH & ZnBr_2 \\ \hline N^-Ts & CH_2Cl_2 \\ \hline 95\% & Ts \end{array}$$

B. M. Wang, Z. L. Song, C. A. Fan, Y. Q. Tu, Y. Shi, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 363

Pechmann Condensation The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

S. Sethna, R. Phadke, Organic Reactions, 7, 1

This reaction provides a simple entry into the coumarins:

Many catalysts can be used, including sulfuric acid, aluminum chloride, phosphorous pentoxide, etc.

Examples:

P. Selle's, U. Mueller, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 277

B. M. Trost, F. D. Toste, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 3090

$$_{\mathrm{HO}}$$
 $_{\mathrm{OH}}$ $_{n\text{-Pr}}$ $_{n\text{-Pr}}$ $_{\mathrm{OEt}}$ $_{\mathrm{OEt}}$ $_{\mathrm{99\%}}$ $_{\mathrm{HO}}$ $_{\mathrm{OO}}$ $_{\mathrm{OO}}$

B. Chenera, M. L. West, J. A. Finkelstein, G. B. Dreyer, *Journal of Organic Chemistry*, 1993, <u>58</u>, 5605

W. Adam. X. Qian, C. R. Shah-Moeller, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1993, 58, 3769

S. S. Bahekara, D. B. Shindeb, *Tetrahedron Letters* 2004, 45, 7999

The use of indium(III) can do the same reaction: D. S. Bose, A. P. Rudradas, M. H. Babu, *Tetrahedron Letters* 2002, 43, 9195.

Perkin Reaction (Perkin cinnamic acid synthesis)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p.p. 1217, 1229; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 213-215; J. R. Johnson, *Organic Reactions* 1, 8.

R. W. Maxwell, R. Adams, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1930, 52, 2967

$$i ext{-PrO}$$
 $Oi ext{-Pr}$ CO_2H Et_3N CO_2H CO_2H

G. Solladie, Y. Pasturel-Jacope, J. Maignan, Tetrahedron 2003, 59, 3315.

This method allows for the use of acids as a replacement for anhydrides.

C. I. Chiriac, F. Tanasa, M. Onciu, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 3579

$$CO_2H$$
 + Ac_2O, Et_3N 96% CO_2H

R. F. Buckles, J. A. Cooper, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1965, 30, 1588

$$F_{3}C$$

$$Ac_{2}O, AcONa$$

$$F_{3}C$$

$$CF_{3}$$

$$COOH$$

$$E: Z = 91: 9$$

D. V. Sevenard, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 7119

Petasis Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\xrightarrow{-B(OH)_3} \bigvee_{R}^{R} \stackrel{R'}{\longrightarrow}$$

See: J. P. Tremblay-Morin, S. Raeppel, F. Gaudette, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 3471

This is an example of a *boronic-Mannich reaction*. The mechanism is not fully established; however it has been shown that an intermediate of the type:

is not involved since an Eschenmoser salt will not react.

$$O-N \longrightarrow NH + OHC \longrightarrow COOH \longrightarrow EtO \longrightarrow B-R$$

$$EtO \longrightarrow B-R$$

$$EtO \longrightarrow B-R$$

$$EtO \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow R$$

$$CO_2H$$

A series was prepared using a reusable resin. Yields were good. K. A. Thompson, D. G. Hall, *Chemical Communications* **2000**, 2379

$$O \longrightarrow NH + (CH2O)n \xrightarrow{EtO} \stackrel{OEt}{\stackrel{I}{B}} \longrightarrow Ph$$

$$89\%$$

N. A. Petasis, I. Akritopoulou, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 583

HO B-OH
$$H_2N$$
 Ph HN CO_2H $OHC-CO_2H, CH_2Cl_2$ Ts 94%

B. Jiang, C.-G. Yang, X.-H. Gu, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 2546

CHO
$$OH$$

$$+ n-Bu = BF_3K$$

$$Bn$$

$$H-N$$

$$Bmim BF_4$$

$$OH$$

$$81\%$$

G. W. Kalbaka, B. Venkataiah, G. Dong, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 727

R. A. Batey, D. B. MacKay, V. Santhakumar, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1999**, <u>121</u>, 5075

Peterson Olefination Reaction (Peterson Elimination, Silyl-Wittig Reaction) The Reaction:

M = Lithium or Magnesium

Proposed Mechanism:

Different alkenes can be obtained, depending on how the reaction is carried out. In both approaches the same intermediate is obtained:

basic workup:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\$$

acidic workup:

$$\begin{array}{c} \stackrel{H}{\searrow} \stackrel{H}{\searrow} \stackrel{H}{\searrow} \stackrel{H}{\searrow} \stackrel{H}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{H}{\searrow} \stackrel{H}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{H}{\longrightarrow}$$

anti elimination

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1228; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 215-217; D. J. Ager, *Organic Reactions* 38, 1.

For an altenative approach, see <u>Tebbe Reagent</u>, <u>Lombardo Reagent</u> or the <u>Wittig Reaction</u>. The steric requirements for the <u>Peterson</u> approach are less than for the <u>Wittig</u> approach. A variation using fluoride-based elimination has been reported:

TMS
$$^{\circ}$$
 COOEt $^{+}$ \bigcirc CHO $^{\circ}$ CHO $^{\circ}$ COOEt $^{\circ}$ $^{\circ}$ COOEt $^{\circ}$ $^$

M. Bellassoued, N. Ozanne, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1995**, <u>60</u>, 6582 Unique control of stereochemistry:

A. G. M. Barrett, J. A. Flygare, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1991, 56, 638

Examples:

SPh LDMAN
$$C_{10}H_{17}$$
TMS

 $C_{10}H_{17}$
TMS

 $C_{10}H_{17}$
 $C_{10}H_{17}$

lithium 1-(dimethylamino)naphthalide

I. Lengyel, V. Cesare, T. Taldone, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 1107

J. E. Sample, T. D. Owens, K. Nguyen, O. E. Levy, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 2769

B. Henkel, B. Beck, B. Westner, B. Mejat, A. Domling, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 89

$$Me$$
 TMS
 TMS
 THF
 Me
 THF
 Me
 TMS
 TMS
 TMS
 TMS
 TMS
 TMS
 TMS
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 TMS

S. P. G. Costa, H. L. S. Maia, S. M. M. A. Pereira-Lima, Organic & Biomolecular Chemistry 2003, 1, 1475

Pfau-Plattner Azulene Synthesis The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

This chemistry is an application of the Buchner Method of Ring Enlargement:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
1. N \in \mathbb{N} & O \\
\hline
0. \Delta & OEt
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
0 & OEt
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
0 & OEt
\end{array}$$

The reaction, as originally carried out, is of little contemporary use. Metal-mediated catalysis is more-often applied, where the reactive species are metal carbenoids.

Buchner-Curtius-Schlotterbeck Reaction

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

Me
$$N_2$$
CH-COOMe $Rh(CF_3-CO_2)_2$ N_2 CH-COOMe N_2 CH-COOMe N_2 CH-COOMe N_2 CH-COOMe

A. J. Anciaux, A. Demonceau, A. J. Hubert, A. F. Noels, N. Petiniot, P. Teyssie, *Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications* **1980**, 765

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
\hline
 & N_2\text{CH-COOMe} \\
\hline
 & Rh(\text{CF}_3\text{-CO}_2)_2 \\
\hline
 & 100\% \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & N_2\text{CH-COOMe} \\
\hline
 & Rh(\text{CF}_3\text{-CO}_2)_2 \\
\hline
 & 60\% \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & COOMe \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & COOMe \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Rh(\text{CF}_3\text{-CO}_2)_2 \\
\hline
 & 60\% \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Rh(\text{COOMe}_2)_2 \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Rh(\text{CF}_3\text{-CO}_2)_2 \\
\hline
 & Rh(\text{CF}_3\text{-CO}_2)_2 \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Me \\
\hline
 & Rh(\text{COOMe}_2)_2 \\
\hline
 & Rh(\text{COOMe}_2)_2$$

A. J. Anciaux, A. Demonceau, A. F. Noels, A. J. Hubert, R. Warin, P. Teyssi, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1981, 46, 873

$$\begin{array}{c|c} X \\ \hline \\ N_2 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} Rh_2(OOCR)_4 \\ \hline \\ Rh_2(OOCR)_4 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} X \\ \hline \\ Rh_2(OOCR)_4 \end{array} \qquad$$

J. L. Kane, Jr., K. M. Shea, A. L. Crombie, R. L. Danheiser, Organic Letters, 2001, 3, 1081

Pfitzinger Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Decarboxylation can take place COOH

L. W. Deady, J. Â Desneves, A. J. Kaye, M. Thompson, G. J. Finlay, B. C. Baguley, W. A. Denny, Bioorganic and Medicinal Chemistry 1999, 7, 2801

J. A. Jongejan, R. P. Bexemer, J. A. Duine, Tetrahedron Letters 1988, 29, 3709

A. V. Ivachtchenko, A. V. Khvat, V. V. Kobak, V. M. Kysil, C. T. Williams, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2004**, <u>4</u>, 5473

COOH
$$\Theta_{OH/H_2O}$$
 Θ_{OH/H_2O} Θ_{OH/H_2O} Θ_{OH/H_2O} Θ_{OH/H_2O}

L. W. Deady, J. Desneves, A. J. Kaye, M, Thompson, G. J. Finlay, B. C. Baguley, W. A. Denny, *Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry* 1999, 7, 2801

This paper describes the preparation of a number of libraries constructed with this reaction. A. V. Ivachtchenko, V. V. Kobak, A. P. Il'yin, A. S. Trifilenkov, A. A. Busel, *Journal of Combinatorial Chemistry* **2003**, <u>5</u>, 645

Pfitzner-Moffatt Oxidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

A sulfur ylide is formed with base which then abstracts the α proton, generating dimethylsulfide and the aldehyde or ketone.

Notes:

T. T. Tidwell, Organic Reactions 39, 3.

A number of oxidations belong to this general class.

Dimethyl sulfoxide oxidations: W. W. Epstein, F. W. Sweat, *Chemical Reviews* **1967**, <u>67</u>, 247 An "improved" reagent, based on the general idea associated with DMSO-based oxidations has been reported:

H.-J. Liu, J. M. Nyangulu, Tetrahedron Letters 1988, 29, 3167

Examples:

AcO
$$CO_2Me$$
 CF_3CO_2 CO_2Me CO_2Me

R. Schworer, R. R. Schmidt, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 1632

R. Schworer, R. R. Schmidt, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 1632

B. Sauerbrei, J. Niggemann, S. Grisger, S. Lee, H. G. Floss, Carbohydrate Research 1996, 280, 223

F. Akahoshi, A. Ashimori, Y. Sakashita, M. Eda, T. Imada, M. Nakajima, N. Mitsutomi, S. Kuwahara, T. Ohtsuka, C. Fukaya, M. Miyazaki, N. Nakamur, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry*, **2001**, <u>44</u>, 1297

Pictet-Gams Isoquinoline Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Other condensing agents can be used: Examples: POCl₃, Polyphosphoric acid

Examples:

G. Dyker, M. Gabler, M. Nouroozian. P. Schulz, Tetrahedron Letters 1994, 35, 9697

J. R. Falck, S. Manna, C. Mioskowski, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1981, 46, 3742

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O & & P_2O_5 \, / \, PCl_5 \\ \hline HO & Me & & xylene \\ \hline H & & 80\% & & \\ \end{array}$$

A. O. Fitton, J. R. Frost, M. M. Zakaria, G. Andrew, Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications 1973, 889

J. Wiejlard, E. F. Swanezy, E. Tashihan, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1949, 71, 1889

$$\begin{array}{c|c} F_3C & OMe \\ \hline \\ MeO & \\ \hline \\ N & \\ O & \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} POCl_3 \\ \hline \\ 53\% & \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} MeO & \\ \hline \\ N & \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} F_3C & OMe \\ \hline \\ N & \\ \end{array}$$

The CF₃ group appears to delay loss of the -OMe group under the reaction conditions. L. Poszavacz, G. Simig, *Tetrahedron*, **2001**, 57, 8573

Pictet-Hubert Reaction / Morgan-Walls Reaction The Reaction:

Pictet-Hubert Reaction | Comparison | Compa

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} R & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ N & & \\ \hline & & \\ N & & \\ \hline & & \\ N & & \\ \hline & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ \hline & & \\ & &$$

A series of these products was prepared. V. I. Tyvorskii, D. N. Bobrov, O. G. Kulinkovich, W. Aelterman, N. De Kimpe, *Tetrahedron* **2000**, <u>56</u>, 7313

H. Gilman, J. Eisch, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1957, 79, 4423

S. T. Mullins, N. K. Annan, P. R. Cook, G. Lowe, *Biochemistry* 1992, 31, 842

Pictet-Spengler Isoquinoline Synthesis The Reaction:

$$NH_2$$
 + R H H

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

W. M. Whaley, T. Govindachar1, Organic Reactions 6, 3.

L. K. Lukanov, A. P. Venkov, N. M. Millov, Synthesis 1987, 1031

N. Totomayor, E. Dominguez, E. Lete, Tetrahedron 1995, 51, 12159

A. Hegedus, Z. Hell, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 8553

B. E. Maryanoff, M. C. Rebarchak, Synthesis 1992, 1245

F.-M. Kuo, M.-C. Tseng, Y.-H. Yen, Y.-H. Chu, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 12075

Piloty-Robinson (Pyrrole) Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Examples:

Me
$$\frac{1. \text{ LDA, THF}}{2. \text{ H}_2\text{O}}$$
 $\frac{1. \text{ LDA, THF}}{52\%}$

Me $\frac{N}{H}$

Ne $\frac{N}{H}$

Ne $\frac{N}{H}$

Ne $\frac{N}{H}$

Ne $\frac{N}{H}$

Z. Yoshida, T. Harada, Y. Tamura, Tetrahedron Letters 1976, 17, 3823

P. S. Portoghese, A. W. Lipkowski, A. E. Takemor, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 1987, 30, 239

Y. Tamura, T. Harada, Z.-I. Yoshida, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1978, 43, 3370

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{NH}_2 \\ \text{then D}_2\text{SO}_4 \\ \text{52}\% \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{O} \\ \end{array}$$

J. L. Born, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1972, 37, 3952

Pinacol Coupling Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Most mechanistic interpretations have the metal providing an electron, followed by coupling of the ketyl moieties:

Notes:

There are many questions still to be answered. What is the role of different metals in the reaction? What are the factors governing mixed coupling?

Typical reductive coupling reaction mixtures: Al / Hg, Mg / Hg, Mg / TiCl₄, SmI_2 , Mg / MgI₂, CeI₂, Yb.

Influence of conditions on product composition:

B. P. Mundy, D. R. Bruss, Y. Kim, R. D. Larsen, R. J. Warnet, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 3927 Gomberg-Bachmann Pinacol Synthesis

$$\stackrel{R}{\triangleright} = 0 \xrightarrow{Mg/MgI_2} \qquad \stackrel{R}{\longmapsto} \qquad \stackrel{R}{\triangleright} \qquad \stackrel{R}{\triangleright} OF$$

Enantioselective Pinacol Coupling of Aldehydes: A. Bensari, J. -L. Renaud, O. Riant, *Organic Letters* 2001, 2, 3863

See: E. J. Corey, R. L. Danheiser, S. Chandrasekaran, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1976, 41, 260; S. Talukdar, J.-M. Fang, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 330; J. E. McMurry, W. Choy, Journal of Organic Chemistry1978, 43, 1800

The *Pinacol Coupling* of acetone gives 2,3-dimethyl-2,3-butanediol which is also known as pinacol and the source of the name of this reaction:

P. E. Eaton, P. G. Jobe, K. Nyi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1980, 102, 6636

E. J. Corey, R. L. Danheiser, S. Chandrasekaran, P. Siret, G. E. Keck, J.-L. Gras, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1978**, <u>100</u>, 8031, 8034

A. Clerici, O. Porta, Tetrahedron Letters 1982, 23, 3517

D. Ghiringhelli, Tetrahedron Letters 1983, 24, 287

M. Yamashita, K. Okuyama, I. Kawasaki, S. Ohta, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 7755

Pinacol Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$\stackrel{\text{HO}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\text{OH}}{\longleftarrow} \stackrel{\text{O}}{\longrightarrow} \stackrel{\text{O}}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 217-218; M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1396-1398

Influence of temperature:

B. P. Mundy, R. Srinivasa, Tetrahedron Letters 1979, 20, 2671

Concentration Effects

B. P. Mundy, R. Srinivasa, R. D. Otzenberger, A. R. DeBernardis, Tetrahedron Letters 1979, 20, 2673

A. Nath, J. Mal, R. V. Venkateswaran, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 4391

H. Nemoto, J. Miyuata, H. Hakamata, M. Nagamochi, K. Fukumoto, Tetrahedron 1995, 51, 5511

C. M. Marson, S. Harper, A.J. Walker, J. Pickering, J. Campbell, R. Wrigglesworth, S.J. Edge, *Tetrahedron* **1993**, 49, 10339

B. P. Mundy, Y. Kim, R. J. Warnet, Heterocycles 1983, 20, 1727

Ph OTMS

LA

Ph OTMS

$$t$$
-Bu

Ph OTMS

 t -Bu

Ph OTMS

 t -Bu

Ph OTMS

 t -Bu

Ph OTMS

 t -Bu

 t

T. Bach, F. Eilers, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 8041

Pinner Reaction The Reaction:

$$R = N + H - OR' \qquad \frac{dry \, HCl}{R} \qquad \frac{H \oplus H}{N \quad Cl} \qquad \frac{H \oplus H}{N \quad$$

$$Z = -OH$$
, $-OR$, $-SH$, NR_2

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1183

Imino esters are also known as imidates or imino ethers

Normally the product is subjected to hydrolysis:

S. Gaupp, F. Effenberger, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1999, 10, 1777

L.-H. Zhang, J. C. Chung, T. D. Costello, I. Valvis, P. Ma, S. Kauffman, R. Ward, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1997, 62, 2466

NC
$$\frac{\text{Et}}{\text{N}}$$
 $\frac{\text{Et}}{\text{2. toluene, H}_2\text{O}}$ $\frac{\text{1. EtOH, HCl}}{\text{2. toluene, H}_2\text{O}}$ $\frac{\text{EtO}_2\text{C}}{\text{81}\%}$

S. Caron, E. Vazquez, Organic Process Research & Development 2001, 5, 587

Intermolecular Pinner Reaction:

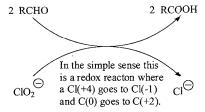
Y. Hamada, O. Hara, A. Kawai, Y. Kohno, T. Shioiri, Tetrahedron 1991, 47, 8635

S. K. Sharma, M. Tandon, J. W. Lown, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 1030

Pinnick Oxidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:



Notes:

Idea for reaction based on

G. A. Krause, B. Roth, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1980, 45, 4825

Examples:

B. S. Bal, W. E. Childers, Jr., H. W. Pinnick, Tetrahedron 1981, 37, 2091

EtO₂C, Me CHO NaClO₂,
$$t$$
-BuOH EtO₂C, Me CO₂H

 O_2N Me Me Me

 O_2N Me

 O_2N Me

 O_2N Me

 O_2N Me

 O_2N Me

J. Mulzer, D. Reither, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 3139

Yield not reported for this step. After two additional steps a total yield of 62%.

L. E. Overman, D. V. Paone, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 9465

B. A. Kulkarni, G. P. Roth, E. Lobkovsky, J. A. Porco, Jr., Journal of Combinatorial Chemistry ${\bf 2002}, \underline{4}, {\bf 56}$

Polonovski Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c}
R \\
R' \\
R''
\end{array}
\xrightarrow{N \oplus O}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
Ac_2O \text{ or } AcCl \\
Me
\end{array}
\xrightarrow{R'}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
R' \\
N
\end{array}
\xrightarrow{R''}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
O \\
R
\end{array}
\xrightarrow{H}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
O \\
HCl
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

D. Grierson, Organic Reactions 39, 2

Examples:

E. Wenkert, B. Chauncy, K. G. Dave, A. R. Jeffcoat, F. M Schell, H. P. Schenk, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1973, 95, 8427

H. Morita, J. Kobayashi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 5378

Y.-Y. Ku, D. Riley, H. Patel, C. X. Yang, J.-H. Liu, Bioorganic and Medicinal Chemistry Letters 1997, 7, 1203

"Non-classical Polonvski" used as a new procedure for demethylation.

K. McCamley, J. A. Ripper, R. D. Singer, P. J. Srammells, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2002**, <u>68</u>, 9847

Polonovski-Potier Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

TFAA = Trifluoroacetic anhydride

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ CI\text{-C(O)OEt} \\ \hline CF_3CO)_2O \\ \hline Me \\ \end{array}$$

B. Tursch, D. Daloze, J. C. Brakeman, C. Hootele, J. M. Pasteels, Tetrahedron 1975, 31, 1541.

R. Jokela, M. Halonen, M. Lounasmaa, Heterocycles 1994, 38, 189

E. Wenkert, B. Chauncy, K. G. Dave, A. R. Jeffcoat, F. M Schell, H. P. Schenk, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1973**, 95, 8427

Polycarbocycle Syntheses

Bogert-Cook Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$\underbrace{\begin{array}{c} \text{OH} \\ \\ \frac{1. \text{ H}_2 \text{SO}_4, \, \Delta}{2. \text{ Se, } \Delta} \end{array}}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The Bardhan-Sengupta Phenanthrene Synthesis uses P_2O_5 in place of H_2SO_4 . When the alcohol containing portion is acyclic, the reaction is known as the **Bogert Reaction**:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ \hline & & \\$$

Darzens Synthesis of Tetralin Derivatives

The Reaction:

$$\frac{\text{COOH}}{\Delta \text{ less than 45°C}} \xrightarrow{\text{COOH}} \frac{80\% \text{ H}_2 \text{SO}_4}{\Delta \text{ less than 45°C}}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Haworth Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

On naphthalene based starting materials, a phenanthrene is produced and the reaction is called the *Hayworth Phenanthrene Synthesis*:

Pomeranz-Fritsch Reaction

The Reaction:

$$H$$
 + H_2N OR H H_2O H + 2 ROH

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

W. J. Gensler, Organic Reactions 6, 4

Schlittler-Muller Modification:

E. Schlittler, J. Muller, Helvetica Chimica Acta 1948, 31, 914

Examples:

R. Hirkenkorn, Tetrahedron Letters 1991, 32, 1775

J. B. Hendrickson, C. Rodriquez, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1983, 48, 3344

M. J. Bevis, E. J. Fobes, B. C. Uff, Tetrahedron 1969, 25, 1585

M. J. Bevis, E. J. Forbes, N. N. Naik, B. C. Uff, Tetrahedron 1971, 27, 1253

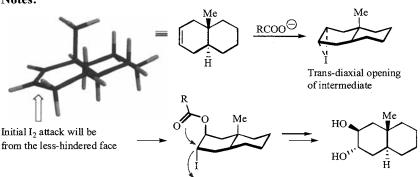
D. L. Boger, C. E. Brotherton, M. D. Kelley, Tetrahedron 1981, 37, 3977

Prévost Reaction (Glycolization)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:



V. K. Ahluwalia, R. K. Parashar, *Organic Reaction Mechanisms*, Alpha Science International Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, pp. 189-191; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1049-1050

Examples:

B. Zajc, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 1902

H.-F.Chang, B. P. Cho, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 9051

Prilezhaev (Prileschajew) Reaction / Epoxidation The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$O = \begin{pmatrix} R & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ H - O & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\$$

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1052; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 218 - 220

The name for this "Named Reaction" is not used much.

The reaction had its origins with the use of peroxyorganic acids. The simplest, formic, peracetic, and perbenzoic acid, are not so much in contemporary use. The workhorse of peroxy acids is *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (*m*CPBA).

See other named reactions and reagents:

Oxone, DMD, Sharpless Epoxidation, Jacobsen-Katsuki Epoxidation, Corey-Chaykovsky reagent and Reaction, Shi (Asymmetric) Epoxidation.

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{OH} \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{OH} \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{OH} \\ \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{Me} \\ \text{OH} \\ \end{array}$$

T. Nishikawa, D. Urabe, K. Yoshida, T. Iwabuchi, M. Asai, M. Isobe, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2679

W. Adam, A. Pastor, K. Peters, E. Peters, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1019

F. M. Hauser, H. Yin, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1045

Y. Chen, J. B. Evarts, Jr., E. Torres, P. L. Fuchs, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 3571

S. Aragones, F. Bravo, Y. Diaz, M. I. Matheu, S. Castillon, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 2003, 14, 1847

W. Li, P. L. Fuchs, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 2849

Prins Reaction

The Reaction:

Products sometimes seen with the reaction

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 220-222; M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1241-1242.; A. L. Henne, Organic Reactions 2, 6; D. F. DeTar, Organic Reactions 9, 7.

Examples:

D. J. Kopecky, S. D. Rychnovsky, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001 123, 8420

M. J. Cloninger, L. E. Overman, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1999, 121, 1092

$$_{\text{TMS}}^{\text{OH}} + _{\text{Ph}}^{\text{Ph}}$$
 $_{\text{O}}^{\text{H}} = _{\text{90\%}}^{\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2 \text{O}}$ $_{\text{O}}^{\text{Ph}}$

A. P. Dobbs, S. Martinovic, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 7055

D. L. Aubele, C. A. Lee, P. E. Floreancig, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 4521

Tandem Prins-Pinacol Strategy: Me CHO Me Me Me Me Me CHO OTIPS HO TMS Me Me CHO Me Me Me CHO TMS

ÒTIPS

Τ̈́MS

L. E. Overman, L. D. Pennington, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 7143

D. J. Hart, C. E. Bennett, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1499

S. R. Crosby, J. R. Harding, C. D. King, G. D. Parker, C. L. Willis, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 3407

Pschorr Arylation (Reaction)

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{NaNO}_{2}, \text{ H}^{\bigoplus} \\ \text{Cu } (0) \end{array}$$

$$G = \text{ HC=CH}, \text{ H}_{2}\text{C}-\text{CH}_{2}, \text{ C}, \text{ NH, CH}_{2}, \text{ others} \end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

For a discussion of the reactions under acidic or basic conditions, see: D. F. Detar, S. V. Sagmanli, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **195**1, <u>73</u>, 3240 *In acid solution:*

Notes:

Reactions are often difficult to control, with many side reactions observed.

Examples:

S. G. R. Guinot, J. D. Hepworth, M. Wainwright, *Journal of Chemical Research, Synopses* 1997, 183 (AN 1977: 481656)

W. Williams, X. Sun, D. Jabaratnam, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 4364

D. F. Detarand, S. V. Sagmanli, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1950, 72, 965

P. Tapolcsanyi, B. U. W. Maes, K. Monsieurs, G. L. F. Lemiere, Z. Riedl, G. Hajos, B. Van den Driessche, R. A. Dommisse, P. Matyus, *Tetrahedron* **2003**, <u>59</u>, 5919

$$Me \xrightarrow{G} G$$

$$Me$$

$$G = O, S, SO, SO_2, CO, CH_2$$

$$Me$$

$$G = G$$

$$Me$$

$$G = G$$

Mixtures were often obtained. Report provides calculational data. S. Karady, J. M. Cummins, J. J. Dannenberg, E. del Rio, P. G. Dormer, B. F. Marcune, R. A. Reamer, T. L. Sordo, *Organic Letters* **2003**, <u>5</u>, 1175

A. H. Lewin, T. Cohen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1967, 32, 3844

Pudovik Reaction

The Reaction:

$$RO = \begin{cases} O \\ P \\ OR \end{cases} H = \begin{cases} 1. \text{ Base} \\ 2. \end{cases} RO = \begin{cases} O \\ P \\ OR \end{cases} Z$$

$$Z = \text{electron acceptor}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

A versatile and general method for generating C-P bonds; however, other connections are possible.

Examples:

V. Pham, W. Zhang, V.Chen, V. Whitney, J. Yao, D. Froese, A. D. Friesen, J. M. Diakur, W. Haque, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* **2003**, 46, 3680

K. Vercruysse-Moreira, C. Déjugnat, G. Etemad-Moghada, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 5651

D. Albouy, M. Lasptras, G. Etemad-Moghadam, M. Koenig, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 2311

G. M. Kosolapoff, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1951, 73, 4040

O. Gawron, C. Grelecki, W. Reilly, J. Sands, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1953, 75, 3591

Pummerer Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p 1566; O. DeLucchi, U. Miotti, G. Modena, *Organic Reactions* **40**, 3.

Examples:

N. Shibata, M. Matsugi, N, Kawano, S. Fukui, C. Jujimori, K. Gotanda. K. Murata, Y. Kita, *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry* **1997**, <u>8</u>, 303

Solid phase Pummerer cyclization:

MeO
$$\frac{1. \text{ TFAA, BF}_3}{\text{Bn}}$$
 $\frac{1. \text{ TFAA, BF}_3}{2. \text{ Sml}_2, \textit{DMPU}}$ $\frac{1. \text{ TFAA, BF}_3}{\text{MeO}}$ $\frac{1. \text{ TFAA, BF}_3}{\text{Bn}}$

TFAA = Trifluoroaceticanhydride, <u>DMPU = N,N'-Dimethylpropyleneurea</u>
L. A. McAllister, S. Brand, R. de Gentile, D. J. Procter, <u>Chemical Communications</u> **2003**, 2380

T. K. Sarkar, N. Panda, S. Basak, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 6919

J. T. Kuethe, A. Padwa, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 774

Trapping the intermediate in a Mannich reaction.

A. Padwa, M. D. Danca, K. I. Hardcastle, M. S. McClure, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 2003, <u>68</u>, 929

P. Magnus, T. Rainey, V. Lynch, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 2459

Ramberg-Backlund Olefin Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$X = Cl, Br, I$$

base

 $S = Cl$
 $S = Cl$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1342; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 223-224; L. A. Paquette, *Organic Reactions* 25, 1; R. J. K. Taylor, G. Casey, *Organic Reactions* 62, 2

Starting material preparation:

Meyers Procedure: Halogenates and eliminates in-situ

C. Y. Meyers, A. M. Malte, W. S. Matthews, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1969, 91, 7510

Vedejs Procedure:

E. Vedejs, S. Singer, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1978, 43, 4884

There is a stereochemical preference for the "W" arrangement of proton and leaving group.

R. J. K. Taylor, G. Casy, Organic Reactions 2003, 62, Chapter 2, pp361-362

Examples:

E. Alvarex, M. Delgado, M. T. Diaz, L. Harxing, R. Perez, J. D. Martin, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1996, 37, 2865

J. Dressel, K. L. Chasey, L. A. Paquette, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1988, 110, 5479

Q. Yao, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 427

Boc

$$N$$

$$\frac{1. \text{ NCS, CCl}_4}{2. \text{ mCPBA}}$$
3. t -BuO \bigcirc , THF
$$100\%$$

D. I. MaGee, E. J. Beck, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 8367

Reetz Alkylation

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
X \text{ or OH} & Me_2TiCl_2 \\
R & R & CH_2Cl_2
\end{array}$$
R must be tertiary

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
O & & \frac{2 \text{ Me}_2 \text{TiCl}_2}{\text{R}} & & R
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & OH & Me_2TiCl_2 \\
R & R & R \\
\hline
 & Me_2TiCl_2 \\
\hline
 & R & R \\
\hline
 & R & R
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & Me \\
R & R & R
\end{array}$$

Notes:

Original Publication: M. T. Reetz, J. Westermann, R. Steinbach, *Journal of the Chemical Society: Chemical Communications* **1981**, 237

Evidence for a carbocation rearrangement during the Reetz reaction:

G. H. Posner, T. P. Kogan, Journal of the Chemical Society: Chemical Communications 1983, 1481

Examples:

M. T. Reetz, R. Steinbach, B. Wenderoth, Synthetic Communications 1981, 11, 261 (AN 1981:406655)

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F. G. Favaloro, C. A. Goudreau, B. P. Mundy, T. Poon, S. V. Slobodzian, B. L. Jensen, Synthetic Communications 2001, 31, 1847

G. Haefelinger, M. Marb, New Journal of Chemistry 1987, 11, 401 (AN 1988:149977)

B. P. Mundy, D. Wilkening, K. B. Lipkowitz, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1985, 50, 5727

T. Poon, B. P. Mundy, F. G. Favaloro, C. A. Goudreau, A. Greenberg, R. Sullivan, Synthesis 1998, 832

$$MeO$$
 MeO
 MeO

D. J. Kerr, A. C. Willis, B. L. Flynn, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 457

Reformatsky Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R \longrightarrow 0$$
 $R \longrightarrow 0$ $R \longrightarrow$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 224-226; M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1212; R. L. Shiner, Organic Reactions 1, 1; M. W. Rathke, Organic Reactions 22, 4.

Other metals can be used for the "Reformatsky Reaction":

Y. S. Suh, R. D. Rieke, D. Reuben, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 180

Examples:

K. Sakai, K. Takahashi, T. Nukano, Tetrahedron 1992, 48, 8229

J. D. Clark, G. A. Weisenburger, D. K. Anderson, P.-J. Colson, A. D. Edney, D. J. Gallagher, H. P. Kleine, C. M. Knable, M. K. Lantz, C. M. V. Moore, J. B. Murphy, T. E. Rogers, P. G. Ruminski, A. S. Shah, N. Storer, B. E. Wise, *Organic Process Research & Development* **2004**, *§*, 51

S.-i. Fukuzawa, H. Matsuzawa, S.-i. Yoshimitsu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 1702

B. B. Shankar, M. P. Kirkup, S. W. McCombie, J. W. Clader, A. K. Ganguly, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1996, 37, 4095

H. Schick, R. Ludwig, K.-H. Schwarz, K. Kleiner, A. Kunath, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1994, 59, 3161

Reimer-Tiemann Reaction

The Reaction:

OH OH OH OH H
$$_{1}$$
 $_{2}$ $_{1}$ $_{2}$ $_{3}$ $_{4}$ $_{5}$ $_{1}$ $_{1}$ $_{1}$ $_{2}$ $_{3}$ $_{4}$ $_{5}$ $_{1}$ $_{2}$ $_{3}$ $_{4}$ $_{5}$ $_{5}$ $_{6}$ $_{1}$ $_{1}$ $_{2}$ $_{3}$ $_{4}$ $_{5}$ $_{5}$ $_{6}$ $_{7}$ $_{1}$ $_{1}$ $_{2}$ $_{3}$ $_{4}$ $_{5}$ $_{5}$ $_{5}$ $_{6}$ $_{7}$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

H. Wynberg, Chemical Reviews 1960, 60, 169

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 716; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 226-227; H. Wynberg, E. W. Meijer, *Organic Reactions* 28, 1

Examples:

OH
$$CO_{2}H$$

$$H^{-N}CO_{2}t\text{-Bu}$$
OH
$$CHO$$

$$CHCl_{3}, NaOH$$

$$H^{-2}O$$

$$CO_{2}t\text{-Bu}$$

$$CO_{2}t\text{-Bu}$$

M. E. Jung, T. I. Lazarova, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 1553

K. M. Smith, F. W. Bobe, O. M. Minnetian, H. Hope, M. D. Yanuck, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1985, <u>50</u>, 790

Reissert-Henze Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\bigoplus_{\substack{\bigoplus_{i=0}^{N}\\O_{i}\bigoplus}}^{N} \qquad \bigoplus_{\substack{KCN\\N}}^{BzCl} \qquad \bigoplus_{\substack{N\\CN}}^{CN}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

As will be seen in the examples, there are a number of variations on the theme to deliver the cyanide and displace the *N*-oxide oxygen. However, all follow the same general mechanistic reasoning.

Examples:

$$DEPC = NC - P OEt$$

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Reported in: H. H. Patel, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1851

A. Zhang, J. L. Neumeyer, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 201

R. T. Shuman, P. L. Ornstein, J. W. Paschal, P. D. Gesellchen, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1990, 55, 738

$$Me \qquad O \qquad Me \qquad Cl \qquad Me \qquad Cl \qquad Me \qquad CN$$

$$Me \qquad O \qquad Me \qquad Cl \qquad Me \qquad N \qquad CN$$

$$O \qquad Quantitative \qquad Me \qquad N \qquad CN$$

W. K. Fife, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1983, 48, 1375

H. Suzuki, C. Iwata, K. Sakurai, K. Tokumoto, H. Takahashi, M. Hanada, Y. Yokoyama, Y. Murakami, *Tetrahedron* **1997**, <u>53</u>, 1593

Reissert Indole Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{cccc} & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ NO_2 & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & &$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

J. A. Gainor, S. M. Weinreb, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1982, 47, 2833

G. Leadbetter, D. L. Fost, N. N. Ekwuribe, W. A. Remers, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1974**, <u>39</u>, 3580; T. Hirata, Y. Yamada, M. Matsui, *Tetrahedron Letters* **1969**, <u>10</u>, 19

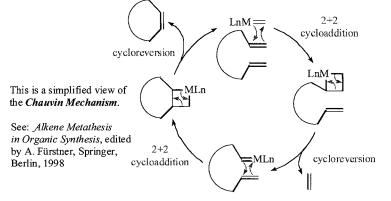
Ring Closing Metathesis (RCM)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

1. Generation of catalyst (one cycle).

2. Catalytic cycle.



Notes:

LnM = = Metal carbene complex

See <u>Schrock</u> and <u>Grubbs</u> Catalysts for additional examples and information.

Variations of:

$$PCy_3$$
 PCy_3 $PCy = cyclohexyl PCy_3 PCy_4 PCy_5 $PC$$

Schrock's catalyst

Examples:

Me Me
$$\frac{\text{CI} \cdot \frac{\text{PCy}_3}{\text{Ru}} \cdot \text{Ph}}{\text{Me}}$$
 $\frac{\text{CI} \cdot \frac{\text{PCy}_3}{\text{PCy}_3}}{\text{88%}}$ $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{Ho}}$

D. C. Harrowven, M. C. Lucas, P. D. Howes, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 8985

W. R. Zuercher, M. Scholl, R. M. Grubbs, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1998, 63, 4291

F.-D. Boyer, I. Hanna, L. Ricard, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 1817

A. K. Ghosh, C. Liu, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 2374

$$\begin{array}{c}
Cl \stackrel{PCy_3}{\longrightarrow} Ph \\
Ru \stackrel{PCy_3}{\longrightarrow} Ph \\
Cl \stackrel{PCy_3}{\longrightarrow} Ph \\
Ru \stackrel{OR}{\longrightarrow} ORO
\end{array}$$

$$R = TBS 65\%$$

$$= OH 95\%$$

J. R. Rodrigues, L. Castedo, J. L. Mascarenas, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 3209

Ritter Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\longrightarrow 0H \qquad \stackrel{\text{OH}}{\longleftarrow} \qquad \stackrel{\text{H}^{\bigoplus}, \, R \longrightarrow N}{\longleftarrow} \qquad \stackrel{\text{H}^{\longrightarrow} N}{\longleftarrow} \qquad \stackrel{\text{R}^{\longrightarrow}}{\longleftarrow} \qquad \stackrel{\text{N}^{\longrightarrow}}{\longleftarrow} \qquad \stackrel{\text{N}^{\longrightarrow}}{\longrightarrow} \qquad \stackrel{\text{N$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

V. K. Ahluwalia, R. K. Parashar, Organic Reaction Mechanisms, Alpha Science International Ltd., Pangbourne, U.K., 2002, pp. 371-372; M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp 1244-1245; L. I. Krimen, D. J. Cota, Organic Reactions 17, 3

Hydrolysis of the amides provides a unique method for preparation of tertiary amines.

Examples:

T.-L. Ho, R.-J. Chein, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2004, 69, 591

This work comments on the slow induction period of the $\rm H_2SO_4$ reaction with acrylonitrile and alcohol, and on possible safety issues.

S. J. Chang, Organic Process Research and Development 1999, 3, 232

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O \\ Me \\ \hline \\ Ph \\ OH \\ CN \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} MeSO_2H \\ \hline \\ 92\% \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} CO_2Me \\ \hline \\ Ph \\ I \\ \end{array}$$

K. Van Emelen, T. DeWit, G. J. Hoornaert, F. Compernolle, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 3083

H. G. Chen, O. P. Goel, S. Kesten, J. Knobelsdorg, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 8129

A modified Ritter Reaction:

Me
$$\frac{\text{NaCN, H}_2\text{SO}_4}{\text{HOAc}}$$
 Me $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{Me}}$ Me $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{Me}}$ Me

T.-L. Ho, L. R. Kung, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 1051

$$t$$
-BuO t -B

K. L Reddy, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 1453

Robinson Annulation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

This is a Michael reaction followed by an Aldol reaction.

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 1222-1224; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 228-232

See: D. Rajagopal, R. Narayanan, S. Swaminathan, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2001**, <u>42</u>, 4887 for a one-pot asymmetric annulation procedure.

The related Stork-Jung Vinysilane annulation:

B. B. Snider, B. Shi, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 9123

Examples:

A. A. Verstegen-Haaksma, H. J. Swarts, J. M. B. Jansen, A. deGroot, Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 10073

R. K. Boeckman, Jr., Tetrahedron 1983, 39, 925

I. Jabin, G. Revial, K. Melloul, M. Pfau, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1997, 8, 1101

V. Zhabinskii, A. J. Minnaard, J. B. P. A. Wijnberg, A. deGroot, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1996, 61, 4022

Y. Baba, T. Sakamoto, S. Soejima, K. Kanematsu, Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 5645

Robinson-Schopf Reaction

The Reaction:

O
$$H$$
 $H_2N^-Me + COOH$ $H_2N^-Me + COOH$ $H_2N^-Me + COOH$ $H_2N^-Me + COOH$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

This reaction is a "biomimetic" approach to forming alkaloids.

Examples:

T. Jarevang, H. Anke, T. Anke, G. Erkel, O. Sterner, *Acta Chemica Scandinavica* **1998**, <u>52</u>, 1350 (AN 1998:770310

OCHO
$$+ MeNH_2 + O$$
 $+ OCHO$
 $+ MeNH_2 + OCHO$
 $+ OCHO$

J. Bermudez, J. A. Gregory, F. D. King, S. Starr, R. J. Summersell, *Bioorganic and Medicinal Chemistry Letters* 1992, 2, 519

O. L. Chapman, T. H. Koch, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1966, 31, 1043

L. A. Paquette, J. W. Heimaster, Journal of the American Chemical Society $1966, \underline{88}, 763$

Rosenmund Reduction

The Reaction:

$$R$$
 C_1
 H_2
 R
 H
 H
 H
 H

Proposed Mechanism:

J. Tsuji, K. Ohno, Journal of the American Chemical Society, 1968, 90, 94

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 532; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 232-233; E. Mosettig, R. Mozingo, *Organic Reactions* 4, 7

See: S. Siegel, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3861

Pd-BaSO₄ binds less strongly to Pd-C, the product can leave the catalyst surface more readily and prevent over-reduction.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
O & O \\
C & Ar
\end{array}$$

Examples:

J. W. Sellers, W. E. Bissinger, Journal of the American Chemical Society, 1954, 76, 4486

$$H_2C$$
 $(CH_2)_8$ Cl H_2 , Pd/C H_2C $(CH_2)_8$ H_3 H_4 H_4 H_5 $(CH_2)_8$ H_5

- * PdCl₂ deposited on poly(p-phenylene terephthalamide) (PPTA)
- V. G. Yadav, S. B. Chandalia, Organic Process Research & Development 1997, 1, 226

Quinoline-S prepared according to the recipe of E. B. Hershberg, J. Cason, Method 2, Organic Syntheses $\underline{\text{CV 3}}$, 626

A. I. Rachlin, H. Gurien, D. P. Wagner, Organic Syntheses 1971, 51 8

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Modification:

M. Falorni, G. Giacomelli, A. Porcheddu, M. Taddei, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 8962

Rubottom Oxidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$R_{3}SiO$$

$$=$$

$$R_{3}SiO$$

$$R_{3}$$

Notes:

Examples:

G. M. Rubottom, M. A. Vazquez, D. R. Pelegrins, Tetrahedron Letters 1974, 15, 4319

J. G. Allen, S. J. Danishefsky, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 351

D. F. Taber, T. E. Christos, A. L. Rheingold, I. A. Guzei, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1999, 121, 5589

Y. Xu, C. R. Johnson, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 1117

M. Mandel, S. Danishefsky, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 3831

Rupe Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Notes:

The Meyer-Schuster Rearrangement is similar to the Rupe Rearrangement. future site of carbonyl future site of carbonyl

Pseudo-Rupe Rearrangement:

$$Me \xrightarrow{Ts} MeO \xrightarrow{Me} Me \xrightarrow{Ts} HCI \\ 100\% OMe & H_2O \\ 93\% OMe$$

Raphael Rearrangement:

Me
$$\longrightarrow$$
 Ts $\frac{1. \text{ HgO, BF}_3, \text{ TFAc, CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}{2. \text{ H}_2\text{O}}$ Me \bigcirc Ts

V. Barre, F. Massias, D. Uguen, Tetrahedron Letters 1989, 30, 7389

Examples:

K. Takeda, D. Nakane, M. Takeda, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1903

W. S. Johnson, S. L.Gray, J. K. Crandall, D. M. Bailey, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1964, 86, 1966

$$AcO'$$
 Me
 OH
 AcO'
 Me
 AcO'
 Me
 AcO'
 Me
 AcO'
 Me
 OAc

S. W. Pelletier, S. Prabhakar, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1968, $\underline{90}$, 5318 and earlier references.

H. Weinman, M. Harre, H. Neh, K. Nickish, C. Skotsch, U. Tilstam, Organic Process Research and Development 2002, 6, 216

Saegusa Oxidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The original work shows that benzoquinone can be added to reoxidize the Pd reagent; however, the reaction proceeds well without it.

When applicable, there is selectivity for (*E*)-products:

A Pd-containing intermediate has been isolated and fully characterized:

S. Porth, J. W. Bats, D. Trauner, G. Giester, J. Mulzer, Angewandte Chemie, International Edition in English 1999, 38, 2015

Examples:

Y. Ito, T. Hirao, T. Saegusa, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1978, 4, 1011

A. M. P. Koskinen, H. Rapoport, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 1985, 28, 1301

D. R. Williams, R. A. Turske, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 3217

S. Chi, C. H. Heathcock, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 3

Sakurai Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

TMS/Silicon can stabilize β carbocations.

Notes:

This reaction is similar to the Mukaiyama Reaction, which employs silyl enol ethers:

S. Dratch, T. Charnikhova, F. C. E. Saraber, B. J. M. Jansen, A. DeGroot *Tetrahedron* 2003, <u>59</u>, 4287

A useful isoprenylation reagent:

[70901-64-3]

See H. Sakurai, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, Ed. L. A. Paquette, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1995, 7, 5277

Examples:

G. Majetich, J. S. Song, C. Ringold, G. A. Memeth, Tetrahedron Letters 1990, 31, 2239

D. Schinzer, S. Solyon, M. Becker, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 1831

G. Majetich, K. Hull, J. Defauw, R. Desmond, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 2747

A. Hosome, H. Sakurai, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1977, 99, 1673

Sandmeyer Reaction

The Reaction:

Works best for X = Cl, Br, and CN, however F, I, R-S, OH are also possible.

Proposed Mechanism:

Cu donates an electron to liberate N_2 and is oxidized to Cu(II). Cu is then reduced by the aryl radical and Cu(I) is regenerated.

$$-N_2$$
 CuX

Notes:

For the iodination reaction, copper is not required. The iodide ion readily undergoes the necessary oxidation-reduction chemistry to push the reaction to completion:

The iodine radical combines to form I_2 , which undergoes further chemistry with I_{\bullet} . The result of complex reactions with other iodine intermediates provides the net capture of an iodine radical with the aryl radical to give product.

Bart-Scheller Arsonylation Reaction

Körner-Contardi Reaction

$$\begin{array}{c}
\bigoplus_{N \geq N} X \\
 & \xrightarrow{\text{Cu}^{+2}} \\
 & \xrightarrow{\text{HX}} \\
 & X = \text{Cl, Br, CN}
\end{array}$$

Examples:

C. W. Lai, C. K. Lam, H. K. Lee, T. C. W. Mak, H. N. C. Wong, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 823

N. Zou, J.-F.Liu, B. Jiang, Journal of Combinatorial Chemistry 2003, 5, 754

H. T. Clarke, R. R. Reed, Organic Synthesis 1941, 1, 514

$$\begin{array}{c|c} F & NH_2 & F \\ \hline & HONO, CuBr \\ \hline & HBr \\ & 65\% & O \end{array}$$

B. Mallesham, B. M. Rajesh, P. R. Reddy, D. Srinivas, S. Trehan, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 7963

P. G. Tsoungas, M. Searcey, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 6589

Schenck Ene Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See H. H. Wassernan, R. W. DeSimone, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, Edited by L.A. Paquette, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1995, 6, 4478

Ways to Generate Singlet Oxygen:

1. Dye-sensitized photoexcitation (eg with TTP, below):

Photosensitizer + hv
$$\longrightarrow$$
 ¹Photosensitizer *

¹Photosensitizer *

³Photosensitizer * + $^{3}O_{2}$ \longrightarrow Photosensitizer + $^{1}O_{2}$

9.10-Diphenylanthracene Endoperoxide

3.
$$H_2O_2 + \bigcirc_{OC1}$$
 $^{1}O_2 + H_2O + C1$

The *Rothemund Reaction* is useful for making substituted porphines (seen in examples on next page):

Examples:

J.-J. Helesbeux, O. Duval, C. Dartiguelongue, D. Seraphin, J.-M. Oger, P. Richomme, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 2293

K.-Q. Ling, J.-H. Ye, X.-Y. Chen, D.-J. Ma, J.-H. Xu, Tetrahedron 1999, 55, 9185

Me
$$CO_2Et$$
 O_2 , TTP O_2H CO_2Et O_2 O_2 O_2 O_3 O_4 O_4 O_5 O_7 O_8 O

W. Adam, J. Renze, T. Wirth, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1998, 63, 226

T. Linker, L. Froehlich, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1995, 117, 2694

Schmidt Rearrangement, Schmidt Reaction

The Reaction:

Also classified as Schmidt Reactions:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 413-415; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 239-241; H. Wolff, *Organic Reactions* 3, 8

R tautomerization

Loss of water will generally favor the less-hindered intermediate.

As with the *Curtius*, *Hofmann* and *Lossen Rearrrangements*, there is a common isocyanate intermediate.

Examples:

CI
$$\underbrace{NaN_3, Nal}_{DMF}$$
 $\underbrace{N_3}_{Quant.}$ $\underbrace{N_3}_{CH_2Cl_2}$ $\underbrace{N_3}_{95\%}$ $\underbrace{CH_2Cl_2}_{95\%}$

S. Arseniyadis, A. Wagner, C. Mioskowski, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 2251

Me
$$CO_2Et$$
 $MeSO_3H$ Ac H CO_2Et R $R = n-Bu, 55\%$ $R = t-Bu, 35\%$

M. Tanaka, M. Oba, K. Tamai, H. Suemune, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 2667

G. R. Krow, S. W. Szczepanski, J. Y. Kim, N. Liu, A. Sheikh, Y. Xiao, J. Yuan, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 1254

$$Me \xrightarrow{CO_2Et} \xrightarrow{TMS-N_3} \begin{bmatrix} N & & N_3 & Me \\ N & N & N & Me \\ Me & N & CO_2Et \\ Me & N & Me \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{N-N} Me \xrightarrow{$$

H.-J. Cristau, X. Marat, J.-P. Vors, J.-L. Pirat, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 3179

Schmidt's Trichloroacetimidate Glycosidation Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & O & HO-R \\
\hline
O & O & R \\
\hline
O & O & R
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & O & R \\
\hline
O & O & R
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & O & R \\
\hline
O & O & R
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & O & R \\
\hline
O & O & R
\end{array}$$

Notes:

K. C. Nicolaou, C. W. Hummel, M. Nakada, K. Shibayama, E. N. Pitsinos, H. Saimoto, Y. Mizuno, K. U. Baldenius, A. L. Smith, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1993, <u>115</u>, 7625

Examples:

$$H_2C$$
 Me
 BnO
 OBn
 BnO
 $OCCl_3$
 OBn
 $OCCl_3$
 $OCCl_3$
 $OCCl_3$
 $OCCl_3$
 $OCCl_3$
 $OCCl_4$
 $OCCl_5$
 $OCCl_5$
 $OCCl_5$
 $OCCl_6$
 $OCCl_7$
 $OCCCl_7$
 $OCCCl_7$
 $OCCCl_7$
 $OCCC$
 $OCCC$

A. Furstner, A. F. Jeanjean, P. Razon, Angewandte Chemie, International Edition in English 2002, 41, 2097

AcO OAc
$$OAc$$
 OAc OA

T. Ren, D. Liu, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 7621

F. J. Urban, B. S. Moore, R. Breitenbach, Tetrahedron Letters 1990, 31, 4421

Scholl Reaction

The Reaction:

$$2 \text{ ArH} \xrightarrow{\text{AlCl}_3} \text{Ar-Ar} + \text{H}_2$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 711

Examples:

F. A. Vingiello, J. Yanez, J. A. Campbell, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1971, 36, 2053

Radical-cation route:

Et
$$CF_3SO_3H + NaNO_2$$

$$"NO^+"$$

$$MeCN$$

$$86\%$$

M. Tanaka, H. Nakashima, M. Fujiwara, H. Ando, Y. Souma, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1996**, <u>61</u>, 788

M. E. Gross, H. P. Lankelma, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1951, 73, 3439

W. L. Poutsma, A. S. Dworkin, J. Brynestad, L. L. Brown, B. M. Bejamin, G. P. Smith, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1978, 19, 873

Schotten-Baumann Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$(O \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow R) \xrightarrow{H} \bigcirc O \longrightarrow R \xrightarrow{\text{proton}} O \longrightarrow R \xrightarrow{\text{transfer}} O \longrightarrow R \xrightarrow{\text{proton}} O \longrightarrow R \xrightarrow{\text{transfer}} O \longrightarrow R \xrightarrow{\text{proton}} O \longrightarrow R \xrightarrow$$

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 482, 506

Other methods for similar catalysis are known:

Einhorn Variation: Pyridine and DMAP (dimethylaminopyridine)

Steglich esterification: DMAP, trace of tosic acid, DCC (dicyclohexylcarbodiimide)

Yamaguchi Esterification: 2,4,6-trichlorobenzoyl chloride, (Yamaguchii Reagent), NEt3, DMAP

Examples:

T. Honda, H. Namiki, F. Satch, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 631

Y.-C. Wang, P. E. Georghiou, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2675

A. C. Hontz, E. C. Wagner, Organic Syntheses CV 4, 383

J. Fitt, K. Prasad, O. Repic, T. J. Blacklock, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 6991

Schreiber Ozonolysis

The Reaction:

$$O_3$$
, ROH NaHCO3 O_3 , ROH OOH O_3 , ROH O_3 , ROH

A protocol that allows for the differentiation of the two ends of the alkene bond during ozonolysis.

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c} OMe \\ OMe \\ \hline \\ OMe \\ \hline \\ OH \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OMe \\ \hline \\ CH_2Cl_2 \\ MeO \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OMe \\ \hline \\ HOO \\ \hline \\ FeSO_4, MeOH \\ \hline \\ \\ OMe \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OMe \\ \hline \\ OMe \\ \hline \\ OMe \\ \end{array}$$

S. L. Schreiber, W. Liew, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1985, 107, 2980

Different possible products possible by slight variation of workup

S. L. Schreiber, R. E. Claus, J. Regan, Tetrahedron Letters 1982, 23, 3867

D. F. Taber, K. Nakajima, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 2515

An anomolous ozonolysis

$$\begin{array}{c} Ph \\ O \\ Me \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ Ph \\ O \\ A2\% \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ O \\ Me \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ Ph \\ Ph \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ O \\ Ph \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ Ph \\ Me \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ Ph \\ Ph \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\$$

M. P. DeNinno, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1995, 117, 9927

Semi-Pinacol Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Originally:

But now commonly associated with <u>Tiffeneau-Demjanov rearrangement</u>. The classification now covers many reactions of the "pinacol type", including:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See *Tiffineau-Demjanov* for the hydroxy-amino rearrangement: T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 255-257; M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1397

C. M. Marson, C. A. Oare, T. Walsgrove, T. J. Grinter, H. Adams. Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 44, 141

Examples:

S.-J. Jeon, P. J. Walsh, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 9544

TBSO, OTMS
$$\frac{\text{TiCl}_4}{\text{76}\%}$$
 $\frac{\text{TBSO}}{\text{Ts}}$

M. D. B. Fenster, G. R. Duke, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 4313

A useful methodology:

B. M. Trost, D. Keeley, M. J. Bogdanowicz, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1973, 95, 3068

K. C. Nicolaou, A. L. Smith, S. V. Wendeborn, C.-K. Whang, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1991, 113, 3106

T. Q. Tu, L. D. Sun, P. Z. Wang, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 629

Semmler-Wolff Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

M. V. Bhatt, S. R. Raju, Tetrahedron Letters 1964, 5, 2623

A similar "special case" moted:

Z. G. Hajos, D. R. Parrish, M. W. Goldberg, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1968, 33, 882

Y. Kobayashi, S. Wakamatsu, Tetrahedron 1967, 23, 115

J. J. Weidner, P. M. Weintraub, R. A. Schnettler, N. P. Peet, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 6303

W. K. Sprenger, J. G. Cannon, H. F. Koelling, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1966, 31, 2402

Seyferth-Gilbert Homolgation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\ominus_{O-P}^{RO,OR} \xrightarrow{R'}_{R'} \xrightarrow{-(RO)_2PO_2} \xrightarrow{R}_{R'} \xrightarrow{-N_2} \begin{bmatrix} R \\ R' \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-N_2} \begin{bmatrix} R \\ R' \end{bmatrix}$$

Notes:

Starting material preparation:

D. G. Brown, E. J. Velthuisen, J. R. Commerford, R. G. Brisbois, T. R. Hoye, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1996**, <u>61</u>, 2540

Examples:

D. L. Comins, D. H. LaMunyon, X. Chen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 8182

P. A. Wender, S. G. Hegde, R. D. Hubbard, L. Zhang, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 4956

J. B. Nerenberg, D. T. Hung, P. K. Somers, S. L. Schreiber, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1993, <u>115</u>, 12621

Shapiro Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\$$

A tosylhydrazone

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1334; R. H. Shapiro, *Organic Reactions* 23, 3; A. R. Chamberlin, S. H. Bloom, *Organic Reactions* 23, 1

In the related <u>Bamford-Stevens Reaction</u>, thermodynamic bases are used and the more substituted alkene is formed.

Examples:

Examples:

$$Me \longrightarrow Me$$
 $Me \longrightarrow Me$
 $Me \longrightarrow Me$

M. Ghosal, L. C. Pati, A. Roy, D. Mukherjee, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 6179

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & & \\ &$$

A. Srikrishna, S. Nagaraju, Phytochemistry 1995, 40, 1699

Trapping the anion formed in the reaction:

C. Liu, J.R. Sowa, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 7241

Me Me Me Me
$$\frac{1. t-BuLi}{2. T_2O}$$

N Trisyl

M. Saljoughian, H. Morimoto, C. Than, P. G. Williams, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 2923

D. M. Coltart, S. J. Danishefsky, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1289

Interception of the anion intermediate in the Shapiro Reaction to form trisubstituted alkenes:

By this method:

E. J. Corey, J. Lee, B. E. Roberts, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 8915

Sharpless (Catalytic Asymmetric) Aminohydroxylation The Reaction:

$$R \xrightarrow{\text{K}_2\text{OsO}_2(\text{OH})_4} R \xrightarrow{\text{NH1s}} R^t$$

$$\text{Ts-N(Na)Cl, H}_2\text{O, ROH} R \xrightarrow{\text{OH}} R^t$$

Proposed Mechanism:

A simplified view. If L is chiral, the reaction can be rendered asymmetric:

Notes:

For recent Reviews, see: K. Muñiz, Chemical Society Reviews 2004, 33, 166; J. A. Bodkin, M. D. McLeod, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions I, 2002, 2733

Examples:

OH

NHt-Bu

$$\frac{1. \text{ K}_2\text{OsO}_2(\text{OH})_4, t\text{-BuN}(\text{Na})\text{Cl}, \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}{2. \text{ Na}_2\text{SO}_3}$$

$$\frac{\text{K}_2\text{OsO}_2(\text{OH})_4, (\text{DHQ})_2\text{PHAL}}{\text{Na}}$$

$$\frac{\text{Na}}{\text{N}}$$

$$\frac{\text{Na}}{\text{Na}}$$

$$\frac{\text{Na}}{\text{N$$

(DHQ)₂PHAL: See Sharpless Dihydroxylation

Reported in K. Muñiz, Chemical Society Reviews 2004, 33, 166

P. R. Blakemore, S.-K. Kim, V. K. Schulze, J. D. White, A. F. T. Yokochi, *Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions I*, 2001, 1831

W. Kurosawa, T. Kan, T. Fukuyama, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 8112

L. Dong, M. J. Miller, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 4759

Sharpless (Asymmetric) Dihydroxylation

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c} R_{\text{sm}} \\ R_{\text{lg}} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R_{\text{mid}} \\ H \end{array} \begin{array}{c} K_{2}[\text{OsO}_{2}(\text{OH})_{4}] \\ K_{2}\text{CO}_{3} \text{, } K_{3}\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_{6} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} (\text{DHQD})_{2}\text{-PHAL} \\ (\text{see below}) \\ (\text{DHQ})_{2}\text{-PHAL} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} HO \\ R_{S} \\ H \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ R_{S} \\ HO \\ OH \end{array}$$

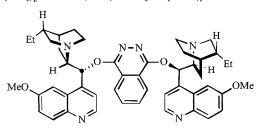
Proposed Mechanism:

The osmium is incorporated into the optically-active AD mix, where it undergoes hydroxylation in much the same way as proposed for simple hydroxylation. See Reagent: *Osmium tetroxide*.

Notes:

Commercially available is AD [Asymmetric Dihydroxylation] mix (α) or (β): α -mix contains

(DHQ)₂-PHAL = 1,4-bis(9-O-dihydroquinine)phtalazine

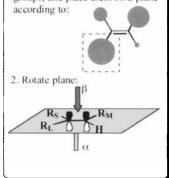


β-mix contains

 $(DHQD)_2\text{-}PHAL = 1,4\text{-}bis(9\text{-}O\text{-}dihydroquinidine}) phtalazine$

How to predict products:

Assign approximate "size" to groups, and place them on a plane according to:



A pyridazine (PYDZ) core can also be incorporated into the catalyst.

Examples:

E. J. Corey, A. Guzman-Perez, M. C. Noe, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1995, <u>117</u>, 10805

A keto-hydroxylation protocol:

B. Plietker, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 289

S. Lemaire-Audoire, P. Vogel, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1999, 10, 1283

A. Guzman-Perez, E. J. Corey, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 5941

B. S. J. Blagg, D. L. Boger, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 6343

Sharpless Epoxidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

E = COOEt, R = i-Pr

C. J. Burns, C. A. Martin, K. B. Sharpless, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 2826

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1053; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 242-244

Examples:

HO
Me
$$\frac{\text{Ti}(\text{O}_{1}\text{Pr})_{4}, (+)\text{-DET}}{\text{I-BuO}_{2}\text{H, toluene}} \quad \text{HO} \quad \text{Me}$$

$$63-69\% \quad 2S, 3S$$

J. G. Hill, K. B. Sharpless, C. M. Exon, R. Regenye, Organic Synthesis CV7, 461

F. E. McDonald, X. Wei, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 593

I. Patterson, C. D. Savi, M. Tudge, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3149

A. K. Ghosh, C. Liu, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 635

Shi (Asymmetric) Epoxidation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Y. Tu, Z.-X. Wang, Y. Shi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1996, 118, 9806; Y. Shi, Accounts of Chemical Research 2004, 37, 488

Notes:

Me Epoxidation
$$\begin{array}{c}
Shi \\
Epoxidation
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
R : O \\
H
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
Me \\
R : H
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
Shi \\
Epoxidation
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
Shi \\
Epoxidation
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
OBn
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
C_{13}H_{27}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
OBn
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
C_{13}H_{27}
\end{array}$$

B. Olofsson, P. Somfai, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 2514

Examples:

D. W. Hoard, E.D. Moher, M. J. Martinelli, B. H. Norman, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 1813

A two-phase system has been reported:

Me organic aqueous Me

> KHSO₅ KHSO₄

N. Hashimoto, A. Kanda, Organic Process Research & Development 2002, 6, 405

D. W. Hoard, E. D. Moher, M. J. Martinelli, B. H. Norman, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 1813

Simmons-Smith Cyclopropanation

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ \hline & &$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$CH_{2}I_{2} + Zn-Cu$$

$$\downarrow \text{ oxidative addition}$$

$$H \longrightarrow Zn-I \qquad H \longrightarrow H$$

$$H \longrightarrow H$$

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1088; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 244-246; A. B. Charette, A. Beauchemin, *Organic Reactions* 58, 1; H. E. Simmons, T. L. Cairns, S. A. Vladuchick, C. M. Hoiness, *Organic Reactions* 20, 1

The cyclopropanation is sensitive to steric effects, adding from the less-hindered face. Having a neighboring hydroxyl group will generally accelerate the reaction, and will direct the cyclopropanation *syn* to the hydroxyl group; even into sterically congested alkenes.

W.G. Dauben, A.C. Ashcraft, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1963, 85, 3673

There are a number of modifications of this reaction; all providing the same product:

A. K. Ghosh, C. Liu, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 635

Examples:

O. Cheng, T. Kreethadumrongdat, T. Cohen, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2121

M. Harmata, P. Rashatasakhon, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 2913

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & \frac{CH_2I_2}{[Zn\text{-}Cu]} & \text{no reaction} \\ & & \frac{Et_2Zn}{CF_3CO_2H, CH_2I_2} & & \\ CI & & 82\% & & \\ \end{array}$$

D. A. Evans, J. D. Burch, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 503

B. R. Aavula, Q. Cui, E. A. Mash, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 2000, 11, 4681

T. Onoda, R. Shirai, Y. Koiso, S. Iwasaki, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 4397

Skraup Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\bigcap_{NH_2} \stackrel{HO}{\xrightarrow{H^{\bigoplus}}} \stackrel{OH}{\longrightarrow}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 246-248; R. H. F. Manske, M. Kulka, Organic Reactions 7, 2

See also the very similar **Deobner-von Miller reaction**.

Examples:

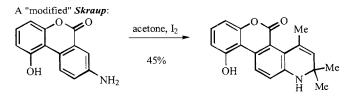
A "modified" Skraup:

$$NH_2$$
 + NH_2 + N

M.-E. Theoditou, L. A. Robinson, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 3907

P. M. O'Neill, R. C. Storr, B. K. Park, Tetrahedron 1998, 54, 4615

H.-Y. Choi, D. Y. Choi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 9202



Y.-Y Ku, T. Grieme, P. Raje, P. Sharma, H. E. Morton, M. Rozema, S. A. King, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2003**, <u>68</u>, 3238

Smiles Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$X = NO_2, SO_2R$$
 $Y = S, SO, SO_2, O, COO \bigcirc$
 $ZH = OH, NHR, SH, CH_2R, CONHR$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 879; W. E. Truce, E. M. Kreider, W. W. Brand, *Organic Reactions* 18, 2

Examples:

DMPU =N,N'-Dimethylpropyleneura; NMP = N-methylpyrrolidine

J. J. Weidner, P. M. Weintraub, R. A. Schnettler, N. P. Peet, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 6303

C. Bonini, M. Funicello, R. Scialpib, P. Spagnolob, Tetrahedron 2003, 5, 7515

V. J. Huber, R. A. Bartsch, Tetrahedron 1998, 54, 9281

Smith-Tietze Coupling

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

a) A. B. Smith, III, A. M. Boldi, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1997, 119, 6925; (b) A. B. Smith, III, L. Zhuang, C. S. Brook, Q. Lin, W. H. Moser, R. E. L. Trout, A. M. Boldi *Tetrahedron Letters* 1997, 38, 8671; (c) L. F. Tietze, H. Geissler, J. A. Gewert, U. Jakobi, *Synlett* 1994, 51

For the very first report of a C- to O-silyl rearrangement occurring after epoxide opening with 2-TMS-1,3-dithiane, see: P. F. Jones, M. F. Lappert, A. C. Szary, *Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1* **1973**, 2272

For a recent variation of this theme:

A. B. Smith, III, D.-S. Kim, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 1493

Examples:

K.J. Hale, M. G. Hummersone, and G. S. Bhatia, *Organic Letters* **2000**, <u>2</u>, 2189; K. J. Hale, M. G. Hummersone, J. Cai, S. Manaviazar, G. S. Bhatia, J. A. Lennon, M. Frigerio, V. M. Delisser, A. Chumnongsaksarp, N. Jogiya, A. Lemaitre, *Pure and Applied Chemistry* **2000**, <u>72</u>, 1659

C. Gravier-Pelletier, W. Maton, T. Dintinger, C. Tellier, Y. Le Merrera, Tetrahedron 2003, 59, 8705

Sommelet-Hauser Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

There can be competition between Sommelet-Hauser and Stevens Rearrangement mechanisms:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 877, 1420, 1455; S. H. Pine, *Organic Reactions* 18, 4

Examples:

T.-J. Lee, W. J. Holtz, Tetrahedron Letters 1983, 24, 2071

N. Shirai, Y. Watanabe, Y. Sato, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1990, 55, 2767

TMS
$$I \ominus$$
 Me CsF $HMPA$ 89% $82:18$

A. Sakuragi, N. Shirai, Y. Sato, Y. Kurono, K. Hatano, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1994, 59, 148

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Y. Maeda, Y. Sato, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1966, 61, 5188

A. Jonczyk, D. Lipiak, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1991, 56, 6933

Sommelet Oxidation

The Reaction:

Hexamethylenetetramine

Proposed Mechanism:

The mechanism is not clear, except for the first steps. Workup appears to play an important role in the product evolution: J. D. Hayler, S. L. B. Howie, R. G. Giles, A. Negus, P. W. Oxley, T. C. Walsgrove, M. Whiter, *Organic Process Research & Development* 1998, 2, 3

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p.1536; S. J. Angyal, *Organic Reactions* 8, 4

Other products from the reaction can be explained by different hydride transfers and cleavages:

$$NH_2$$
 NH_2 NH_2

Examples:

J. D. Hayler, S. L. B. Howie, R. G. Giles, A. Negus, P. W. Oxley, T. C. Walsgrove, M. Whiter, Organic Process Research & Development 1998, 2, 3

K. B. Wiberg, Organic Syntheses, CV 3, 811

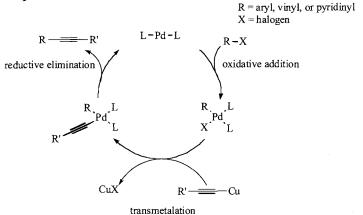
S. J. Angyal, J. R. Tetaz, J. G. Wilson, Organic Syntheses CV 4, 690

Sonogashira Coupling

The Reaction:

$$R-X + H \longrightarrow R' \xrightarrow{PdCl_2(PPh_3)_2} R \longrightarrow R'$$

Proposed Mechanism:



Notes:

For a recent summary of the reaction see:

R. R. Tykwinski, Angewandte Chemie International Edition in English 2003, 42, 1566

Examples:

A useful selection containing a number of functional groups is presented.

M. Erdelyi, A. Gogol, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 6431

In a number of examples with high yields. $P(t-Bu)_3$ is useful for helping the reaction take place at room temperature.

T. Hundertmark, A. F. Littke, S. L. Buchwald, G. C. Fu, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1729

P. A. Jacobi, H. Lui, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 1778

H.-F. Chow, C.-W. Wan, K.-H. Low, Y.-Y. Yeung, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 1910

W. R. Goundry, J. E. Baldwin, V. Lee, Tetrahedron 2003, 59, 1719

D. L. Comins, A. L. Williams, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3217

M. Feuerstein, H. Doucet, M. Santelli Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 1603

Staudinger Reaction

The Reaction:

$$R-N_3 + R \stackrel{P}{\underset{R}{\downarrow}} R \xrightarrow{H_2O} R-NH_2$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Other reducing agents can be used including LiAlH₄, Fe, and Na₂S₂O₄.

A unique tandem Staudinger-Wittig reaction finds application in lactam synthesis:

$$\frac{\text{Bu}_{3}\text{P}}{\text{O}}$$

$$\frac{\text{Bu}_{3}\text{P}}{\text{O}}$$

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H. Fuwa, Y. Okamura, Y. Morohashi, T. Tomita, T. Iwatsubo, T. Kan, T. Fukuyam, H. Natsugari, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2004**, <u>45</u>, 2320

Examples:

Y. Liang, L. Jiao, S. Zhang, J. Xu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2005, 70, 334

S.-D. Cho, W.-Y. Choi, S.-G. Lee, Y.-J. Yoon, S.-C. Shin, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 7059

83%

C. W. Lindsley, Z. Zhao, R. C. Newton, W. H. Leister, K. A. Strauss, *Tetrahedron Letters* 2002, 43, 4467

A. B. Charette, A. A. Boezio, M. K. Janes, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 3777

Stetter Reaction (Stetter 1,4-Dicarbonyl Synthesis)

The Reaction:

Notes:

H. Stetter, H. Kuhlmann, Organic Reactions 40, 4

This reaction bears much mechanistic similarity to a vinylogous **Benzoin Condensation**.

The 1,4-dicarbonyl compounds provide access to <u>Paal-Knorr</u> sequences. A one-pot, three-step reaction sequence has been reported:

R. U. Braun, K. Zeitler, T. J. J. Muller Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3297

Examples:

PBu₃ is used in place of 3-benzyl-5-(hydroxyethyl)-4-methylthiazolium chloride in this example.

J. H. Gong, Y. J. Im, K. Y. Lee, J. N. Kim, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43,1247

P. E. Harrington, M. A. Tius, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 649

M. S. Kerr, J. R. de Alaniz, T. Rovis, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 10298

M. P. Sant, W.B. Smith, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1993, 58, 5479

Stevens Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$R' \rightarrow H$$
 base $R' \rightarrow R$

Z = ketone, ester, aryl

R (with approximate migratory aptitude) = propargyl > allyl > benzyl > alkyl (S. H. Pine, Organic Reactions 18, 4)

Proposed Mechanism:

A much-used mechanism:

Evidence also favors:

solvent cage

W. D. Ollis, M. Rey, I. O. Sutherland, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transaction I 1983, 1009

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1419; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 248-250; S. H. Pine, *Organic Reactions* 18, 4

The reaction is often associated with migrations on sulfur:

Examples:

$$MeO$$
 MeO
 MeO

S. Hanessian, M. Mauduit, Angewandte Chemie, International Edition in English 2001, 40, 3810

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O & N_2 & Copper \\ \hline O & OMe & \frac{catalysis}{89\%} & \hline & H & OMe \\ \hline \end{array}$$

F. P. Marmsaeter, G. K. Murphy, F. G. West, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2003**, <u>125</u>, 14724

S. Knapp, G. J. Morriello, G. A. Doss, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 5797

J. A. Vanecko, J. F. G. West, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2813

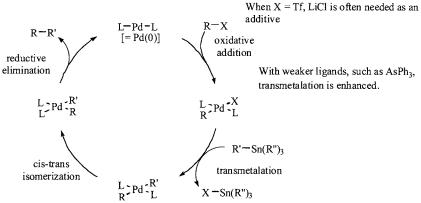
Stille Coupling

The Reaction:

$$R-X + R'-Sn(R'')_3 \xrightarrow{Pd(0)} R-R'$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Catalytic Cycle:



Notes:

In many respects this is a very general and useful reaction. It is compatible with a variety of functional groups and is run under relatively neutral conditions. The organotin intermediates are easy to prepare; however, toxicity of the tin reagents makes this method more of a problem than some of the other coupling protocols.

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 931; V. Farina, V. Krishnamurthy, W. J. Scott, *Organic Reactions* **50**.

See also the book based on the Organic Reactions article: V. Farina, V. Krishnamurthy, W. J. Scott, The Stille Reaction, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998,

Examples:

C. Boden, G. Pattenden, Synlett 1994, 181 (AN 1995:6867)

S. T. Handy, X. Zhang, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 233

$$R \longrightarrow H$$
 $Pd (0)$
 $Bu_3Sn - Pd \cdot H$
 $R \longrightarrow SnBu_3$
 Bu_3SnH
 $R' \longrightarrow X$
 $PMHS$
 RO
 $SnB u_3$
 Bu_3SnX
 R
 $R' \longrightarrow X$
 NaX
 Na_2CO_3
 Ph
 H
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R. E. Maleczka, Jr., W. P. Gallagher, I. Terstiegee, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2000**, 122, 384

C. M. Rayner, P. C. Astles, L. A. Paquette, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1991, 56, 1489

Stille Carbonylative Coupling

The Reaction:

$$R-X + R'-Sn(R'')_3$$
 $\frac{Pd(0), CO}{THF \text{ or DMF}}$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See also the book based on the *Organic Reactions* article: V. Farina, V. Krishnamurthy, W. J. Scott, The *Stille Reaction*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998,

Examples:

S. D. Kight, L. E. Overman, G. Pairaudeau, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1993, 115, 9293

S. Ceccarelli, U. Piarulli, C. Gennart, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 6254

R. D. Mazzola, Jr., S. Giese, C. L. Benson, F. G. West, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2004, 69, 220

Stille-Kelly Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ Br & & \\ & + & \\ \hline \\ & &$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

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S. Hernandez, R. SanMartin, I. Tellitu, E. Dominguez, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1095

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
N & I & Me_3Sn-SnMe_3 \\
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 & PdCl_2 \bullet (PPh_3)_2, xylene \\
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 & 92\%
\end{array}$$

W. S. Yue, J. J. Li, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2201

R.Olivera, R. SanMartin, E, Dominguez, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 7010

R. Olivera, R. SanMartin, I. Tellitu, E. Domínguez, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 3021

Stobbe Condensation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

RO
$$\xrightarrow{Base}$$
 RO \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{R} ROOC \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{R} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{R} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{R} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{R} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{O}

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1224; W. S. Johnson, G. H. Daub, *Organic Reactions* 6, 1

Examples:

MeO CHO
$$\frac{\text{COOEt}}{t\text{-BuO}}$$
, $t\text{-BuOH}$ $t : Z = 2 : 1$

D. L. Boger, J. A. McKie, H. Cai, B. Cacciari, P. G. Baraldi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 1710

J. Liu, N. R. Brooks, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 3521

Stobbe

$$CO_2Me$$
 CO_2Me
 CO_2Me

A. Piettre, E. Chevenier, C. Massardier, Y. Gimbert, A. E. Green, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 3139

J. D. White, P. Hrnclar, F. Stappenbeck, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 7871

$$CO_2Et$$
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R. Baker, P. H. Briner, D. A. Evans, Chemical Communications 1978, 410

Stork Enamine Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$R$$
, R
 $1.R-X$
 $2. \text{ hydrolysis}$
 H

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 555, 787; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 250-253

Starting material preparation:

$$H \rightarrow H \rightarrow H \rightarrow H_{2}O$$

The amine used to make enamine is usually pyrrolidine, morpholine, piperidine or diethylamine.

Besides alkyl halides, the electrophile can be activated aryl halides, epoxides, anhydrides and *Michael additions* to activated alkenes.

Examples:

B. Kist, P. Pojarliev, H. J. Martin, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2423

F. Bouno, A. Tenaglia, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 3869

Me
$$CO_2Me$$
 N Me CO_2Me N Me CO_2Me $PdCl_2(MeCN)_2$ Et_3N $G7\%$ $G7\%$

Method of: S. Hunig, E. Lücke, W. Brenninger, Organic Syntheses, CV 5, 808 in: T. Ishikawa, E. Vedo, R. Tani, S. Saito, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 186

J. J. Li, B. K. Trivedi, J. R. Rubin, B. D. Roth, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 6111

Stork-Wittig Olefination

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Ph.
$$\oplus$$
 H Base Ph. \oplus Ph. \oplus

Notes:

The $\underline{\textit{Takai Reaction}}$ provides the same transformation, but arrives at the E- configuration rather than the Z-.

Examples:

Br
$$Ph_3P-CH_2I$$
 Ph_3P-CH_2I Ph_3P-CH_3P Ph_3P Ph_3P-CH_3P Ph_3P P

M. T. Crimmins, M. T. Powell, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 7592

K. Lee, J. K. Cha, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 559

S. S. Harried, C. P. Lee, G. Yang, T. I. H. Lee, D. C. Myles, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 6646

J. E. Davies, A. B. Holmes, J. P. Adams, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1999, 121, 4900

Strecker Amino Acid Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$R$$
 + $R'NH_2$ + HCN AcOH R' OH

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

T. Laue, A. Plagens, Named Organic Reactions, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 253-254

Examples:

M. S. Iyer, K. M. Gigstad, N. D. Namdev, M. Lipton, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1996, 118, 4910

H. Ishitani, S. Komiyama, Y. Hasegawa, S. Kobayashi, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2000**, <u>122</u>, 762

An anomolous reduction of a Strecker nitrile:

P. Rajagopalan, B. G. Advani, Tetrahedron Letters 1965, 6, 2197

Strecker Degradation

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

G. P. Rizzi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1969, 34, 2002

Notes:

The formation of aldehydes (flavorings) in roasting of cocoa beans, for example, is caused by **Strecker degradation** of amino acids.

A. Arnoldi, C. Arnoldi, O. Baldi, A. Griffini, Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry 1987, 35, 1035

Other degradation reactions:

Bergmann Degradation

Darapsky Degradation (Procedure)

NC
$$\downarrow$$
OEt $= \frac{1. \text{ H}_2\text{NNH}_2}{2. \text{ HONO}}$
OEt $= \frac{2. \text{ HONO}}{3. \Delta, \text{ EtOH}}$
NC \downarrow
NH₂

von Braun (Amide) Degradation / Reaction

Examples:

This was used as a visual test for amino acids, where alloxane reacted with the amino acid to produce murexide, a colored compound:

M. F. Aly, G. M. El-Nagger, T. I. El-Emary, R. Grigg, S. A. M. Metwally, S. Sivagnanam, *Tetrahedron* 1994, <u>50</u>, 895

low yields of isolated products, but rapid loss of the butane dione.

G. P. Rizzi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1969, 34, 2002

C.-K. Shu, Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry 1998, 46, 1515

W. S. Fones, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1954, 76, 1377

Suzuki Coupling

The Reaction:

N. Miyauri, A. Suzuki, Chemical Reviews 1995, 95, 2457

$$R-X + \sum_{\substack{R' \\ R' \\ \text{Where } X = I >> Br > OTf >> Cl.}}^{*RO} \frac{Pd(0)}{NaOR \text{ or } NaOH} \longrightarrow \prod_{\substack{R' \\ R' \\ R''}}^{*RO} R''$$

See: A useful review: S. R. Chemler, D. Trauner, S. J. Danishefsky, Angewandte Chemie International Edition in English $2001, \underline{40}, 4544$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

General sources of common boron reagents:

$$R-Li + B(R'O)_{3} \longleftarrow R-B \longrightarrow R-$$

Examples:

$$R = Li \xrightarrow{B(Oi-Pr)_3} \left[R = \bigoplus_{B(Oi-Pr)_3Li} \bigoplus_{ArBr, DMF} R = Ar \right]$$

$$Me = C_6H_{13} \qquad Me = \bigoplus_{96\%} Q8\%$$

A.-S. Castanet, F. Colobert, T. Schlama, Organic Letters, 2000, 2, 3559.

MeO CI + HO BHO
$$\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{HO}}$$
 $\frac{\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3, \text{P}(t\text{-Bu})_3}{\text{KF, THF, 70 °C}}$
 $\frac{\text{MeO}}{\text{88\%}}$
 $t\text{-Bu}$

OTf + HO BHO $\frac{\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2, \text{PC}y_3}{\text{KF, THF, rt}}$
 $\frac{\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2, \text{PC}y_3}{\text{KF, THF, rt}}$
 $\frac{\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2, \text{PC}y_3}{\text{KF, THF, rt}}$
 $\frac{\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2, \text{PC}y_3}{\text{Me}}$
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 $\frac{\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2, \text{PC}y_3}{\text{Me}}$

dba: dibenzylidene acetone

A.F. Littke, C. Dai, G.C. Fu, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 127, 4020

$$MeO_2C$$

$$OH$$

$$Pd(Pt-Bu_3)_2$$

$$MeO_2C$$

$$MeO_2C$$

M. Rubina, M. Rubin, V. Geforgyan, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 7198

Y. Liu, G.W. Gribble, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 8717

D. Meng, S. J. Danishfesky, Angewandte Chemie, International Edition in English 1999, 38, 1485

Swern Oxidation

The Reaction:

$$R \bigwedge_{R}^{O-H} \frac{\text{oxalyl chloride, DMSO}}{\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2} \qquad R \bigwedge_{R}^{O-H}$$

DMSO - Dimethylsulfoxide

oxalyl chloride

Proposed Mechanism:

$$Cl \xrightarrow{Me} S \xrightarrow{O} Cl \xrightarrow{-CO_2, CO} Me \xrightarrow{S} Me \xrightarrow{+} R \xrightarrow{-Cl} H$$

$$Cl \overset{Me}{\bigoplus} \overset{Me}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Me}{\underset{Me}{\bigoplus}} \overset{-HCl}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{O}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Ne}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Net_3}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Me}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{O}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Me}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Me}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Me}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Me}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Me}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Net_3}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Me}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Net_3}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Net_3}{\underset{H}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}} \overset{Net_3}{\underset{H}{\underset{H}{\bigoplus}}} \overset{Net_3}{\underset{H}{\underset{H}{\underset{H}{\longrightarrow}}} \overset{Net_3}{\underset{H}{\underset{H}{\underset{H}{\longrightarrow}}} \overset{N$$

A sulfur ylide is formed with base which then abstracts the α proton, generating the carbonyl and dimethylsulfide.

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1516; T. T. Tidwell, *Organic Reactions* 39, 3

Triflouroacetic anhydride was used before oxalyl chloride and is also known as the *Swern Oxidation*. Acetic anhydride can also be used. (*Albright-Goldman Oxidation*)

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \bigoplus_{S} \\ \text{Me} \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{1} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{2} \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \text{CF}_3 \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{CF}_3 \\ \bigoplus_{Me} \\ \text{Me} \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{H} \\ \bigoplus_{Me} \\ \text{Me} \end{array} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{H} \\ \text{Etc.} \end{array}$$

An alternative to the Swern Oxidation:

L. DeLuca, G. Giacomelli, A. Porcheddu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 7807

Examples:

X. Fang, U. K. Gandarange, T. Wang, J. D. Sol, D. S. Garvey, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 4019

M. K. W. Choi, P. H. Toy, Tetrahedron 2004, 60, 2875

M. F. Semmelhack, Y. Jujang, D. Ho, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2403

$$Me(H_2C)_6 = CH_2OH \qquad Swern \qquad \left[Me(H_2C)_6 = CHO \right]$$

$$(taken directly into a Wittig reaction)$$

$$PPh_3 \qquad Me(H_2C)_6 = O$$

$$58\% \text{ overall}$$

T. J. Speed, D. M. Thamattoor, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 367

Takai Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$CHI_{3} + CrCl_{2} \longrightarrow \left[Cr^{III} \cdot CHI_{2} \right] \xrightarrow{CrCl_{2}} \left[Cr^{III} \cdot CHI \right]$$

The two Cr-containing intermediates can distribute as shown below:

$$R \stackrel{O}{\longleftarrow} Cr^{III} \cdot CHI_{2} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} R & O & Cr^{III} \\ H & CHI_{2} \end{bmatrix} \qquad R \stackrel{I}{\longleftarrow} I$$

$$R \stackrel{O}{\longleftarrow} Cr^{III} \qquad \begin{bmatrix} R & O & Cr^{III} \\ H & Cr^{III} \end{bmatrix} \qquad R \stackrel{I}{\longleftarrow} I$$

Notes:

There is also a Takai Coupling protocol:

P. Breuilles, D. Uquen, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 3149

See: Stork-Wittig Olefination for a related procedure:

Br
$$CHO$$
 $I \xrightarrow{Ph_3P-CH_2I}$ $ROM_{NaN(TMS)_2, HMPA, THF}$ ROM_{Et} $ROM_{NaN(TMS)_2, HMPA, THF}$ ROM_{Et} $ROM_{NaN(TMS)_2, HMPA, THF}$ $ROM_{NaN(TMS)_$

M. T. Crimmins, M. T. Powell, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 7592

Examples:

Me
$$(CH_2)_7$$
 H O $CrCl_2, CHI_3$ Me $(CH_2)_7$ I $E: Z = 81: 19$

K. Takai, K. Nitta, K. Utimoto, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1986, 108, 7408

S. Chackalamannil, R. Davies, A. T. McPhail, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 1427

J. Cossy, D. Bauer, V. Bellosta, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 5909

I. C. Gonzalez, C. J. Forsyth, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 9099

M. E. Jung, B. T. Fahr, D. C. D'Amico, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1998, 63, 2982

Tebbe Reagent / Olefination

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

See Tebbe Reagent

Tebbe reactions on beads:

A. G. M. Barrett, P. A. Procopiou, U. Voigtmann, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3165

The Oshima modification provides another entry into methylenation:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & CH_2Br_2, Zn \\ \hline \\ & TiCl_4, THF \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} BrZn \longrightarrow ZnBr \\ + \\ & \\ & \\ \end{array}$$

For details of competitive regiochemical analysis with a number of reagents, see:

T. Okazoe, J.-I. Hibino, K. Takai, H. Nozakil, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 5581

Examples:

K. C. Nicolaou, M. H. D. Postema, C. F. Claiborne, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1996**, <u>118</u>, 1565

M. Cortés, J. A. Valderrama, M. Cuellar, V. Armstrong, M. Preite, *Journal of Natural Products* **2001**, <u>64</u>, 348

N. A. Petasis, M. A. Patane, Tetrahedron Letters 1990, 31, 6799

Thiele-Winter Reaction (Acetoxylation) (Thiele Reaction)

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & OAc \\
\hline
 & 2Ac_2O \\
\hline
 & OAc
\end{array}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Examples:

D. Villemin, N. Bar, M. Hammadi, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 4777

P. A. Reddy, C. D. Gutsche, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1993, 58, 3245

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & &$$

W. M. Mclamore, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1951, 73, 2225

S. Spyroudis, N. Xanthopoulou, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 4612

Thorpe Reaction (If intermolcular, known as the Thorpe-Ziegler Reaction.)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, pp. 1219, 1238; for *Thorpe-Ziegler*, p. 1239.

The *Thorpe reaction* is often better than the <u>Diekmann Cyclization</u> for ring sizes > 7.

What of the reaction of an ester and a nitrile?



H. Plienenger, W. Muller, Chemische Berichte 1960, 93, 2029 (AN 1961:13347)

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{Me} \\
\text{O} \\
\text{Me}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{Me} \\
\text{Me}
\end{array}$$

A. Toro, P. Nowak, P. Deslongchamps, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 4526

L. Lu, R. K. Shoemaker, D. M. S. Wheeler, Tetrahedron Letters 1989, 30, 6993

A. Hashimoto, A. K. Przybyl, J. T. M. Linders, S. Kodato, X. Tian, J. R. Deschamps, C. George, J. L. Flippen-Anderson, A. E. Jacobson, K. C. Rice, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2004**, <u>69</u>, 5322

G. Seitz, H. Monnighoff, Tetrahedron Letters 1971, 12, 4889

$$CN$$
 CN
 NaH
 NH_2

J. J. Bloomfield, P. V. Fennessey, Tetrahedron Letters 1964, 5, 2273

N. E. Kayaleh, R. C. Gupta, F. Johnson, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 4515

Tiffeneau-Demjanov Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$(R \rightarrow NH_2 \rightarrow NH_2 \rightarrow NaNO_2, HX \rightarrow R \rightarrow R \rightarrow R$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1399

Possible sources of starting material:

Takuchi Modification

Examples:

Z. Wang, D. Yang, A. K. Mohanakrishnan, E. Hamel, M. Cushman, *Journal of Medicinal Chemistry* **2000**, <u>43</u>, 2419

S. Kim, R. Bishop, D. C. Craig, I. G. Dance, M. L. Scudder, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 3221

D. Fattori, S. Henry, P. Vogel, Tetrahedron 1993, 49, 1649

HO
$$CH_2NH_2$$

NaNO₂

HOAc

No yield given

(9:1)

J. T. Lumb, G. H. Whitham, Tetrahedron 1965, 21, 499

R. B. Woodward, J. Gostel, I. Ernest, R. J. Friary, G. Nestler, H. Raman, R. Sitrin, C. Suter, J. K. Whitesell, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1973, 95, 6853

Tischenko Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

An "Aldol-Tischenko reaction" is sometimes observed as a byproduct of Aldol condensation:

P. M. Bodnar, J. T. Shaw, K. A. Woerpel, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 5674

Examples:

F. LeBideau, T. Coradin, D. Gourier, J. Henique, E. Samuel, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 5215

T. Sek, H. Tachikawa, T. Tamada, H. Hattori, Journal of Catalysis 2003, 217, 117

S.-Y. Onozawa, T. Sakakura, M. Tanaka, M. Shiro, Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 4291

This reaction will take place slowly by storing an aqueous solution of the aldehyde at 60 °C.

HO Me Me H
$$\frac{\text{H}_2\text{O}}{132\,^{\circ}\text{C}}$$
 HO Me Me Me Me OH

G. K. Finch, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1960, 25, 2219

Trost's TMM (trimethylenemethane) Cycloaddition

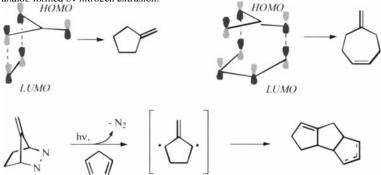
The Reaction:

TMS
$$OAc$$
 + EWG Pd^0 EWG

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

An analysis of the use of orbital theory to rationalize product formation from the diradical TMM analog formed by nitrogen extrusion:



A series of products of which these are the major components.

R. K. Siemionke, J. A. Berson, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1980, 102, 3870

Examples:

J. Cossy, D. Belotti, J. P. Pete, Tetrahedron 1990, 46, 1859

AcO TMS
$$\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}{\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4, \text{DPPE, THF}}$$

$$\frac{\text{MeO}_2\text{C}}{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}$$

$$\frac{25:1/\text{trans: cis}}{1.3/1 \text{ trans: cis}} \text{ toluene}$$

$$\frac{1.3}{1 \text{ trans: cis}} \text{ THF}$$

B. M. Trost, D. M. T. Chan, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1983, 105, 2315

A. Heumann, S. Kadly, A. Tenagli, Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 539

L. A. Paquette, D. R. Sauer, D. G. Cleary, M. A. Kinsella, C. M. Blackwell, L. G. Anderson, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1992, <u>114</u>, 7375

Tscherniac-Einhorn Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

4 total resonance structures

H. E. Zaugg, R. W. DeNet, J. E. Fraser, A. M. Kotre, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1969, 34, 14

Notes:

Sometimes the reaction can continue with hydrolysis of the phthalimide group:

Examples:

P. S. Anderson, M. E. Christy, C. D. Colton, W. Halczenko, G. S. Ponticello, K. L. Shepard, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1979, 44, 1519

$$\bigcap_{O}^{O} \cap \bigcap_{O}^{OH} + \bigcap_{N}^{OH} \cap \bigcap_{O}^{H_2SO_4} \cap \bigcap_{O}^{OH} \cap$$

F. Hess, E. Cullen, K. Grozinger, Tetrahedron Letters 1971, 12, 2591

OH
$$\frac{1. \text{ H}_2\text{SO}_4}{2. \text{ NH}_4\text{OH}}$$
 $\frac{1. \text{ H}_2\text{SO}_4}{3. \text{NH}_4\text{OH}}$

F. K. Hess, P. B. Stewart, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 1975, 18, 320

Tsuji-Trost Reaction

The Reaction:

$$X = \text{leaving group}$$

$$\frac{\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3, \text{dppb, Nu}}{\text{THF, 60-70 °C}} \qquad \text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3 + \text{dppb, Nu}$$

J. Tsuji, H. Takahashi, M. Morikawa, *Tetrahedron Letters* **1965**, <u>6</u>, 4387 B. M. Trost, T. J. Fullerton, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1973**, <u>95</u>, 292

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\mathcal{P}_{L} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{r}_{L}} X \qquad \frac{\mathsf{Pd}(0)}{\mathsf{Pd}(1)} \qquad \frac{\mathsf{r}_{L}}{\mathsf{r}_{L}} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{r}_{L}} \mathsf{Nu} \qquad \mathcal{P}_{L} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{r}_{L}} \mathsf{Nu}$$

Notes:

V. Branchadell, M. Moreno-Manas, R. Pleixats, S. Thorimbert, C. Commandeur, C. Boglio, M. Malacria, *Journal of Organometallic Chemistry* **2003**, 687, 337

Examples:

J. H. Hong, M. J. Shim, B. O. Ro, O. H. Ko, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 6837

A water-mediated, transition metal free reaction:

AcO
$$\longrightarrow$$
 Ph \longrightarrow MeO₂C \longrightarrow H \longrightarrow MeO₂C \longrightarrow Ph \longrightarrow MeO₂C \longrightarrow MeO₂

C. Chevrin, J. Le Bras, F. Henin, J. Muzart, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 8099

V. Branchadell, M. Moreno-Manas, R. Pleixats, S. Thorimbert, C. Commandeur, C. Boglio, M. Malacria, *Journal of Organometallic Chemistry* **2003**, <u>687</u>, 337

Catalytic allylation of aldehydes:

M. Kimura, Y. Horino, R. Mukai, S. Tanaka, Y. Tamaru, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 10401

Ueno-Stork Cyclization

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

G. Stork, R. Mook, Jr., S. A. Biller, S. D. Rychnovsky, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1983, 105, 3741

HO NIS
$$t\text{-BuO}$$
 $t\text{-BuO}$
 $t\text{-BuO}$
 $t\text{-BuO}$
 $t\text{-BuO}$
 $t\text{-BuO}$
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 $t\text{-BuO}$

F. Villar, O. Equey, P. Renaud, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1061

F. Villar, O. Equey, P. Renaud, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1061

F. Villar, P. Renaud, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 8655

Ugi Reaction

The Reaction:

$$H \xrightarrow{O} R_a + R_b \xrightarrow{H} R_b + R_c \xrightarrow{O} OH + R_d \xrightarrow{O} R_d \xrightarrow{R_b} \xrightarrow{O} R_a \xrightarrow{H} \overset{R_b}{H} \overset{O}{R_d}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

This reaction is similar to the <u>Passerini reaction</u>. It is characterized by the four components going into the reaction mix:

P. Cristau, J.-P. Vors, J. Zhu, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 4079

Examples:

A chemical library developed

Chemistry 1998, 63, 8021

A. Basso, L. Banfi, R. Riva, G. Guanti, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 587

P. Cristau, J.-P. Vors, J. Zhu, Tetrahedron 2003, 59, 7859

CHO :
$$C \equiv N - t$$
-Bu

H₂N CO_2H

two components

 $C \equiv N - t$ -Bu

 $C \equiv N -$

G. Dyker, K. Breitenstein, G. Henkel, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 2002, 13, 1929

Ullmann Coupling Reaction

The Reaction:

2 Ar-I
$$\frac{\text{Cu}}{\Delta}$$
 Ar-Ar + CuI₂

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

reductive elimination

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 870.

Problem with mixed coupling:

$$Ar - I + Ar' - I \xrightarrow{Cu} Ar - Ar' + CuI_2$$

Examples:

G. Vlád, I. Horváth, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 6550

C. W. Lai, C. K. Lam, H. K. Lee, T. C. W. Mak, H. N. C. Wong, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 823

Ar-X
$$H_2O$$
, CO_2 (l) Ar-Ar $X = I$, Br , CI

J.-H. Li, Y.-X. Xie, D.-L. Yin, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 9867

A. I. Meyers, J. J. Willemsen, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 791

Ullmann Ether Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$Ar' - X$$
 $\frac{ArOH, base}{Cu(I) \text{ salts, } \Delta}$ $Ar - O$ Ar'

X includes halides, -NO₂, -NR₃⁺, -OR, or -OH

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Ullmann-type reactions can replace Ar-O with Nu-H.

The copper-catalyzed addition of amines and amides (Goldberg Reaction) are placed in this section:

Goldberg Reaction

$$Ar$$
 NH + Br Ar' CuI K_2CO_3 Ar N Ar' N Ar' Ar' Ar' Ar' Ar' Ar' Ar'

Ullmann Reaction (Jourdan-Ullmann Synthesis)

$$Ar^{NH_2}$$
 + Cl Cu Ar^{NH_2} + Cl Cu Ar^{NH_2}

There is also the related Jourdan Synthesis:

Examples:

Y.-J. Wu, H. He, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 3445

I +
$$\frac{\text{CuI, Cs}_2\text{CO}_3}{N,N\text{-dimethylglycine}}$$
 P5%

D. Ma, Q. Cai, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 3799

A. V. R. Rao, J. K. Chakraborty, K. L. Reddy, A. S. Rao, Tetrahedron Letters 1992, 33, 4799

M. Wolter, G. Nordmann, G. E. Job, S. L. Buchwald, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 973

J. H. M. Lange, L. J. F. Hofmeyer, F. A. S. Hout, S. J. M. Osnabrug, P. C. Verveer, C. G. Kruse, R. W. Feenstra, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2002**, <u>43</u>, 1101

J. A. Ragen, B. P. Jones, M. J. Castaldi, P. D. Hill, T. W. Makowski, Organic Syntheses, CV10, 418

Upjohn Dihydroxylation Protocol

The Reaction:

V. VanRheenen, R. C. Kelly, D. Y. Cha, Tetrahedron Letters 1976, 17, 1973

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

A procedure for the catalytic use of OsO4:

V. VanRheenen, R. C. Kelly, D. Y. Cha, Tetrahedron Letters 1976, 17, 1973

Examples:

Modification making
$$H_2O_2$$
 the terminal oxidant. general scheme: example substrates below.

Me

Ph

Ph

OHOH

cat. OsO₄, cat. NMM,
cat. flavin, cat. TEAA

 H_2O_2 , solvent

Ph

Ph

O

OHOH

Me

Ph

OHOH

S. Y. Jonsson, K. Farnegårdh, J.-E. Backvall Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, <u>123</u>, 1365

Q. Yao Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2197

T. J. Donohoe, J. W. Fisher, P. J. Edwards Organic Letters 2004, 6, 465

Vilsmeier-Haack Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

A substituted phenyl group is shown for illustration. Heterocycles are also common substrates.

The reaction is more efficient when the aromatic ring has electron-donating groups as the G-substituent in the scheme above.

Vilsmeier chemistry can also be carried out on alkenes.

Examples:

S. Hesse, G. Kirsch, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 1213

P. G. M. Wutz, J. M. Northuis, T. A. Kwan, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 9223

R. A. Aungst, Jr., C. Chan, R. L. Funk, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2611

D. L. Comins, A. L. Williams, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3217

Vinylcyclopropane-Cyclopentene Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

A stereocenter can invert going backwards.

A
$$\frac{2}{3}$$

A $\frac{2}{3}$

Examples:

R. V. Stevens, M. C. Ellis, M. P. Wentland, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1968**, <u>90</u>, 5576

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
EtO_3C \\
\hline
NH_4Cl \\
\hline
A \\
76\%
\end{array}$$
CO₃Et

H. W. Pinnick, Y.-H. Chang, Tetrahedron Letters 1979, 20, 837

B. M. Trost, J. R. Paraquette, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1994, 59, 7568

J. L. Wood, A. B. Smith, III, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1992, 114, 10075

T. Hudlicky, A. Fleming, L. Radesca, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1989, 111, 6691

J. Satyanarayana, M. V. B. Rao, H. Ila, H. Junjappa, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 3565

E. J. Corey, A. G. Myers, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1985, 107, 5574

von Braun Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

Cyanogen bromide has been classified as a "counter-attack" reagent.

See: J. R. Hwu, B. A. Gilbert, Tetrahedron 1989, 45, 1233

After attack at the cyano group, the released bromide counter-attacks at the least hindered position.

Examples:

H. Rapoport, C. H. Lovell, H. R. Reist, M. E. Warren, Jr., Journal of the American Chemical Society 1967, 89, 1942

W. Verboom, G. W. Visser, D. N. Reinhoudt, Tetrahedron 1982, 38, 1831

S. S.Lee, Y. J. Lin, M. Z. Chen, Y. C. Wu, C. H. Chen, Tetrahedron Letters 1992, 33, 6309

Y. Nakahara, T. Niwaguchi, H. Ishii, Tetrahedron 1977, 33, 1591

H. Niwa, M. Toda, S. Ishimaru, Y. Hirata, S. Yamamura, Tetrahedron 1974, 30, 3031

This work was a kinetic study showing the reaction is extremely fast.

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
H & & & & H \\
\hline
No yield given & & & & \\
H & & & & & \\
N & & & & \\
N & & & & \\
N & & & & \\
N & & & & & \\
N & & &$$

G. Fodor, S. Abidi, Tetrahedron Letters 1971, 12, 1369

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von Richter Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$R \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{N \oplus N} R \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{N \oplus N} R \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{N \to N} R \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{$$

M. Rosenblum, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1960, 82, 3796

Examples:

Note solvent change:

G. T. Rogers, T. L. V. Ulbricht, Tetrahedron Letters 1968, 9, 1029

This substrate was subjected to the reaction conditions to test the validity of it being a proposed intermediate.

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
NO & \xrightarrow{\bigcirc} CN, \text{ aq EtOH} \\
\hline
ON & 20\%
\end{array}$$

K. M. Ibne-Rasa, E. Koubak, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1963, 28, 3240

J. F. Bunnett, M. Rauhut, M. D. Knutson, G. E. Bussell, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1954**, <u>76</u>, 5755

Wacker Oxidation Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ + HCI \\ + H_2O \\ + H_2O \\ + H_2O \\ - Pd - OH_2 \\ R \\ - Pd - OH_2 \\ R \\ - Pd - OH_2 \\ - Pd$$

See O. Hamed, C. Thompson, P.M. Henry, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1997**, <u>62</u>, 7082 for useful mechanistic discussion.

Notes:

Attack of water is always at the more substituted carbon of the alkene. Given competition between a terminal alkene and a more substituted one, preference will be for the terminal bond.

Catalytic Asymmetric Wacker-Type Cyclization

Y. Uozumi, K. Kato, T. Hayashi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1997, 119, 5063

Examples:

$$C_6H_{11}$$
 C_0CI, H_2O, O_2 C_6H_{11} C_6H_{11}

J.-H. Ahn, D. C. Sherrington, Macromolecules 1996, 29, 4164

T.-L. Ho, M. H.Chang, C. Chen, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 6955

Y. Kobayashi, Y.-G. Wang, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 4381

A. B. Smith, III, Y. S. Cho, G. K. Friestad, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 8765

Wagner-Meerwein Rearrangement

See: L. Birladeanu, "The Story of the Wagner-Meerwein Rearrangement", Journal of Chemical Education 2000, 77, 858

The Reaction:

$$R' \xrightarrow{R} OH H \xrightarrow{H} R''' + H_2O$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1393

The rearrangement of camphene hydrochloride is called the Nametkin Rearrangement

The "classical" - "non-classical" carbocation controversy concerned the *Wagner-Meerwein* rearrangement of norbornyl systems:

The reaction is also regulated by stereoelectronic factors:

E. J. Corey, J. J. Ursprung, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1956, 78, 5041

Examples:

Demjanov (Demyanov) Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Examples:

MeO
$$\frac{\text{Me}}{\tilde{H}}$$
 $\frac{\text{OH}}{\text{Me}}$ $\frac{\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2}{\text{benzene}}$ $\frac{\tilde{H}}{\tilde{H}}$ $\frac{\text{Me}}{\tilde{H}}$ $\frac{\text{O}}{\tilde{H}}$

J. R. Bull, K. Bischofberger, R. I. Thomson, J. L. M. Dillen, P. H. Van Rooyen, *Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1* **1992**, 2545

A detailed biosynthetic pathway analysis:

Me T. Eguchi, Y. Dekishima, Y. Hamano, T. Dairi, H. Seto, K. Kakinuma, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2003**, <u>68</u>, 5433

S. Baeurle, T. Blume, A. Mengel, C. Parchmann, W. Skuballa, S. Baesler, M. Schaefer, D. Suelzle, H.-P. Wrona-Metzinger, *Angewandte Chemie, International Edition in English* **2003**, <u>42</u>, 3961

Watanabe-Conlon Transvinylation

The Reaction:

$$\bigcirc -OH \qquad \xrightarrow{\text{Et}} O \qquad \bigcirc -O \qquad \bigcirc$$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$Hg(OAc)_2 \longrightarrow Hg(OAc) + AcO$$

$$\bigoplus_{Hg(OAc)}$$
 + Et \bigcirc + \bigcirc OH $\stackrel{-H}{\longrightarrow}$ \bigcirc Hg $\stackrel{-OAc}{\longrightarrow}$

Notes:

This reaction generally uses about 10% molar equivalent of Hg(OAc)₂.

This reaction is generally part of a sequence followed by <u>Claisen rearrangement</u> to generate a remote functional group (aldehyde).

This approach was developed by Burgstahler for:

$$\bigcap_{\text{OH}} \longrightarrow \bigcap_{\text{CHO}}$$

A. W. Burgstahler, I. C. Nordin, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1959, 81, 3151

Examples:

D. L. J. Clive, H. W. Manning, Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications. 1993, 666

V. Godebout, S. Leconte, F. Levasseur, L. Duhamel, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 7255

EtCO₂C Me
$$Hg^{+2}$$
 EtCO₂C Me CHO Hg^{+2}

D. H. Williams, D. J. Faulkner, Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 4245

S. T. Patel, J. M. Percy, S. D. Wilkes, Tetrahedron 1995, 51, 11327

Weiss Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ R' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ O \end{array} \begin{array}{c} CO_2 R'' \\ \hline O \\ CO_2 R'' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 1. \text{ base} \\ 2. \text{ H}^{\bigoplus}, \Delta \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ R' \end{array}$$

R's = H, alkyl, aryl or could be a cyclobutane ring or larger

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\longrightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{H} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{H} \\ \text{R'} \\ \text{NeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{Proton} \\ \text{transfer} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{R'} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{HO} \\ \end{array}$$

Notes:

A number of examples are reported in:

U. Weiss, J. M. Edwards, Tetrahedron Letters 1968, 9, 4885

Examples:

G. Kubiak, X. Fu, K. Bupta, J. M. Cook, Tetrahedron Letters 1990, 31, 4285

L. A. Paquette, M. A. Kesselmayer, G. E. Underiner, S. D. House, R. D. Rogers, K. Meerholz, J. Heinze, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1992, 114, 2652

O
$$\frac{\text{MeO}_2\text{C}}{\text{K}_2\text{CO}_3, \text{MeOH}}$$
 $O = \frac{t - \text{BuO}_2\text{C}}{\text{CO}_2 t - \text{Bu}}$ $O = \frac{\text{CO}_2 t - \text{Bu}}{\text{CO}_2 t - \text{Bu}}$

A. K. Gupta, J. M. Cook, U. Weiss, Tetrahedron Letters 1988, 29, 2535

$$\begin{array}{c}
O \\
O \\
O
\end{array}
+
\begin{array}{c}
COOCH_3 \\
O \\
COOCH_3
\end{array}
-
\begin{array}{c}
1. \text{ NaOH} & 58 - 63\% \\
\hline
2. \text{ H}, \Delta & 88 - 90\%
\end{array}$$

$$O = O$$

S. H. Bertz, J. M. Cook, A. Gawish, U. Weiss, Organic Synthesis CV 7, 50

Wharton Olefination

The Reaction:

O
$$\frac{1. \text{ H}_2\text{N} - \text{NH}_2}{2. \text{ H}^{\oplus}}$$
 OH

O $\frac{1. \text{ H}_2\text{N} - \text{NH}_2}{2. \text{ H}^{\oplus}}$ OH

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

P. A. Zoretic, R. J. Chambers, G. D. Marbury, A. A. Riebiro, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1985, 50, 2981

G. Kim, M. Y. Chu-Moyer, S. J. Danishefsky, G. K. Schulte, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1993, 115, 30

Br OH

Me
$$Me \sim Br$$
 $E:Z = 1:1$

T. Sugahara, H. Fukuda, Y. Iwabuchi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2004, 69, 1744

F. J. Moreno-Dorado, F. M. Guerra, F. J. Aladro, J. M. Bustamante, Z. D. Jorge, G. M. Massanet, *Journal of Natural Products* **2000**, <u>63</u>, 934

L. Castedo, J. L. Mascarnenas. M. Mourino, Tetrahedron Letters 1987, 28, 2099

Wichterle Reaction

The Reaction:

3. "H2O-equivalent"

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

This is a modification of the *Robinson annulation* in which 1,3-dichloro-cis-2-butene is used in place of methyl vinyl ketone.

A number of "H* OH" equivalents are used: <u>Oxymercuration</u> conditions or formic acid and protic acid, followed by hydrolysis of the formate ester are two common approaches.

A variation of this approach:

M. P. VanBrunt, R. O. Ambenge, S. W. Weinreb, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 3323

Examples:

G. Stork, E. W. Logusch, Journal of the American Chemical Society, 1980, 102, 1219

L. A. Paquette, D. T. Belmont, Y.-L. Hsu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1985, 50, 4667

Fujimoto-Belleau Reaction

The Reaction:

$$\bigcap_{O} \bigcap_{O} \frac{R \cap MgX}{R}$$

Mechanistic Example:

M. Haase-Held, M. Hatzis, J. Mann, Journal of the Chemical Society Perkin Transactions 1 1993, 2907

Widman-Stoermer Synthesis

The Reaction:

Notes:

See the $\underline{\textit{Borsche Cinnoline Synthesis}}$ and the $\underline{\textit{von Richter Cinnoline Synthesis}}$ for other preparations of cinnolines.

Examples:

J. W. Barton, N. D. Pearson, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1, 1987, 1541

B. S. Ross, R. A. Wiley, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 1985, 28, 870

M. H. Palmer, P. S. McIntyre, Tetrahedron 1971, 27, 2913

Willgerodt-Kindler Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Ar
$$(n=0)$$

Ar $(n=0)$

Ar $($

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1567; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, pp. 267-269.

The original *Willgerodt Reaction* conditions required high temperature and pressure, with use of ammonium polysulfide $(NH_4)_2S_x$ and H_2O to give either an amide or the ammonium salt of the corresponding acid. *Kindler's modification*, shown above, eliminated these problems and substituted S_8 and a dry amine, most commonly morpholine.

The reaction will introduce the acid at the terminal carbon, no matter where the carbonyl position is occupied in the starting material:

L. Cavalieri, D. B. Pattison, M. Carmack, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1945, 67, 1783

Examples:

I. W. Davies, J.-F. Marcoux, E. G. Corley, J. Journet, D.-W Cai, M Palucki, J. Su, R. D. Larsen, K. Rossen, P. J. Pye, L. DeMichele, P. Dormer, P. J. Reider, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2000**, <u>65</u>, 8415

HO
$$\stackrel{\text{Me}}{=}$$
 $\frac{1. \text{ S}_{8}, \text{ morpholine, Ph-SO}_{3}\text{H}}{2. \text{ Br-CH}_{2}\text{-CO}_{2}\text{H}}$ HO $\stackrel{\text{S}}{=}$ $\frac{\text{S}}{\text{CO}_{2}\text{H}}$ $\frac{\text{S}}{\text{S}}$ $\frac{\text{CO}_{2}\text{H}}{\text{S}}$

G. Levesque, P. Arsene, V. Fanneau-Bellenger, T.-N. Pham, Biomacromolecules 2000, 1, 387

Me
$$S_8$$
, morpholine microwave S_8 , morpholine microwave S_8 , morpholine S_8 ,

M. Mooshabadi, K. Aghapoor, H. R. Darabi, M. M. Mujtahedi, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 7549

T. Bacchetti, A. Alemagna, B. Daniel, Tetrahedron Letters 1965, 6, 2001

Williamson Ether Synthesis

The Reaction:

$$R \rightarrow H \frac{1. \text{ base}}{2. R'-L} R \rightarrow R'$$

 $L = leaving group = -X, -OTs, -OMs, O-SO_3R'$

Proposed Mechanism:

$$R \rightarrow H$$
 base $R \rightarrow Q \rightarrow R' - L$ $R \rightarrow R'$

Most Williamson Ether Syntheses proceed by an S_N2 mechanism. Stereochemical inversions can be expected, where appropriate, as a result.

Notes:

Secondary R groups usually give low yields.

Tertiary R groups are typically not successful due to elimination:

Examples:

S. Hecht, J. M. Frechet, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1999, 121, 4084

M. Attolini, T. Boxus, S. Biltresse, J. Marchand-Brynaert, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 1187

E. E. Dueno, F. Chu, S.-I. Kim, J. W. Jung, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 1843

H. C. Aspinall, N. Greeves, W.-M. Lee, E. G. McIver, P. M. Smith, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1997, 38, 4679

This work discusses the question of substitution vs. elimination, and has useful commentary from a synthetic point of view.

$$(Wang resin)$$

$$(CH2)2 O (CH2)3 Me O (CH2)4 O (CH2)3 Me O (CH2)3 O (CH2) O (CH2)3 O (CH2) O (CH2)3 O (CH2) O (CH$$

A. Weissberg, A. Dahan, M. Portnoy, Journal of Combinatorial Chemistry 2001, 3, 154

Wittig Indole Synthesis

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

K. Miyashita, K. Kondoh, K. Tsuchiya, H. Miyabe, T. Imanishi, Journal of the Chemical Society: Perkin Transactions 1 1996, 1261

B. Danieli, G. Lesma, G. Palmisano, D. Passarella, A. Silvani, Tetrahedron 1994, 50, 6941

M. Le Corre, Y. Le Stane, A. Hercouet, H. Le Brown, Tetrahedron 1985, 41, 5313

Wittig Reaction (Wittig Olefination Reaction)

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Phosphorous and oxygen form very strong bonds, driving the manner of oxaphosphetane decomposition.

triphenylphosphine oxide

Notes:

Other phosphines may be used for this reaction, but the choice should not contain a protons that could be abstracted as is the proton on the halide coupling partner, as a mixture of desired and undesired ylides would be formed.

Usually, one uses a strong base such as BuLi, NaNH2/NH3, NaH or NaOR.

Preferred anti attack of ylide, minimizing steric interactions.

Bond rotation form the be

Bond rotation follows to As a result, this reaction often form the betaine. As a result, this reaction often gives the cis / Z - alkene.

If the halide contains an electron withdrawing group, the negative charge in the ylide is delocalized, decreasing its nucleophilicity and reactivity. Aldehydes may still react, but ketones most likely will not.

Bestman's Protocol: The intermediate ylide can be cleaved by ozone. By careful addition one can carry out a unique Wittig reaction:

$$PPh_{3} = \left(\begin{array}{c} O_{3} \\ \hline O_{3} \\ \hline \end{array} \right) Ph_{3}PO + O = \left(\begin{array}{c} PPh_{3} = \left(\right) + Ph_{3} = \left(\right) + Ph_{3} = (PPh_{3} = \left(\begin{array}{c} PPh_{3} = \left(\begin{array}{c} PPh_{3} = \left(\right) + Ph_{3} = (PPh_{3} = \left(\right) + Ph_{3} = (PPh_{3} = \left(C) + Ph_{3} = (PPh_{3} = (PPh_{3} = \left(C) + Ph_{3} = (PPh_{3} = (PPh_{3}$$

Examples:

MeO

$$Ph_3P = CH_2$$
 $Ph_3P = CH_2$
 MeO
 H_2C

S. P. Chavan, R. K. Kharul, R. R. Kale, D. A. Khobragade, Tetrahedron 2003, 59, 2737

R. K. Boeckman, Jr., T. R. Aless, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1982, 104, 3216

B. J. Neubert, B. B. Snider, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 765

[1,2]-Wittig Rearrangement

The Reaction:

$$R$$
 R'
 R'
 R'
 R'
 R'
 R'

R = H, Alkl, Aryl, Alkenyl, Alkynyl, -COOR, -COOM R' = Alkyl, Ally, Benzyl, Aryl

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

The oxygen can be replaced by nitrogen and then the reaction is known as [1,2]-Aza-Wittig Rearrangement:

Examples:

TIPS

Me

$$n$$
-BuLi, TMEDA

THF

 78%
 \widetilde{H}
 Me
 \widetilde{H}

Me

 \widetilde{H}

Me

P. Wipf, T. H. Graham, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 8798

R. E. Maleczka, Jr., F. Geng, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1998, 120, 8551

K. Tomooka, H. Yamamoto, T. Nakai, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1996, 118, 3317

A. Garbi, L. Allain, F. Chorki, M. Ourevitch, B. Crousse, D. Bonnet-Delpon, T. Nakai, J.-P. Begue, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2529

Via dehydration of major product:

OH Me

Me

Me

Me

Me

L. Lemiegre, T. Regnier, J.-C. Combret, J. Maddaluno, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 373

[2,3]-Wittig Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} OMe \\ O \\ \hline \\ O \\ CH_2 \\ Me \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} LDA \\ \hline \\ THF \\ \hline \\ O \\ CH_2 \\ \end{array}$$

Y. J. Li, P.-T. Lee, C.-M. Yang, Y.-K. Chang, Y.-C. Weng, Y.-H. Liu, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 1865

A. S. Balnaves, G. McGowan, P. D. P. Shapland, E. J. Thomas, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 2713

K. Tomooka, T. Igarashi, N. Kishi, T. Nakai, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 6257

M. Tsubuki, K. Takahashi, T. Honda, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 10183

Wolff Rearrangement

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in March's Advanced Organic Chemistry, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1405

Smith's Vinylogous Wolff Rearrangement:

$$CH_2$$
 CH_2
 CH_2
 CO_2H
 CO_2H

A. B. Smith, III, B. H. Toder, S. J. Branca, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1985, 106, 1995

Smith, et. al. (continued)

$$N_2$$
 N_2 N_2

S. G. Sudrik, S. P. Chavan, K. R. S. Chandrakumar, S. Pal, S. K. Date, S. P. Chavan, H. R. Sonawane, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2002**, <u>67</u>, 1574

D. P. Walker, P. A. Grieco, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1999, 121, 9891

$$Me \xrightarrow{Me} N_{Boc} N_{2} \qquad hv \qquad MeOH \qquad Me \xrightarrow{Me} N_{Boc} OMe$$

H. Yang, K. Foster, C. R. J. Stephenson, W. Brown, E. Roberts, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 2177

B. Saha, G. Bhattacharjee, U. R.Ghatak, Tetrahedron Letters 1986, 27, 3913

Wolff-Kishner Reduction

The Reaction:

$$\begin{array}{c}
O \\
R
\end{array}
\xrightarrow{H_2N-NH_2 \cdot H_2O}
\xrightarrow{R} H$$

Proposed Mechanism:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1548

Notes:

See catecholborane for a mild and selective alternative to the Wolff-Kishner reduction.

Enone systems can undergo rearrangement

The commonly used approach (above) is better recognized as the Huang-Minlon modification.

Under Wolff-Kishner conditions, a primary amine can be converted to an alcohol:

S. M. A. Rahman, H. Ohno, N. Maezaki, C. Iwata, T. Tanaka, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 2893

Examples:

M. Harmata, P. Rashatasakhon, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2533

H. Nagata, N. Miyazawa, K. Ogasawara, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 1737

J. P. Marino, M. B. Rubio, G. Cao, A. de Dios, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 13398

A. Srikrishna, K. Anebouselvy, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 7102

Woodward Modification of the Prevost Reaction

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Ag
$$\oplus$$
 O Me

I — I — Ag \oplus O Me

addition from the less-hindered face

 \oplus O \oplus O \oplus H

 \oplus O \oplus O \oplus O \oplus O \oplus H

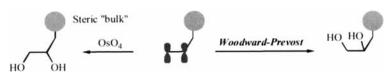
 \oplus O \oplus

Notes:

The Prevost Reaction:

This *Woodward-Prevost reaction* provides *cis* diols at the more hindered face. This is due to the first step, the addition of iodine from the less-hindered face.

Contrast this reaction with OsO₄ or MnO₄⊖

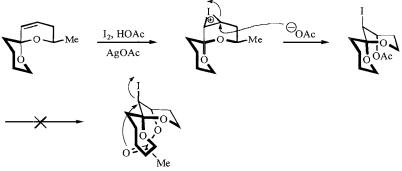


Examples:

D. Jasserand, J. P. Girard, J. C. Rossi, R. Granger Tetrahedron Letters 1976, 17, 1581

S. Hamm, L. Hennig. M, Findeisen, D. Muller, P. Weizel, Tetrahedron 2000, 56, 1345

Examples are available to show that show the necessary acetate participation does not always take place:



M. A. Brimble, M. R. Nairn, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 4801

Wurtz (Coupling) Reaction and Related Reactions

In the *Wurtz Reaction*, both halides are alkyl. For the *Wurtz-Fittig Reaction*, there is one alkyl and one aryl group, while in the *Fittig Reaction*, both coupling partners are aryl halides.

Wurtz (Coupling) Reaction:

$$2 R-X \xrightarrow{2 Na} R-R + 2 NaX$$

Fittig Reaction

$$2 \text{ Ar} - X \xrightarrow{2 \text{ Na}} \text{ Ar} - \text{Ar} + 2 \text{ NaX}$$

Wurtz-Fittig Reaction

$$Ar-X + R-X \xrightarrow{2 \text{ Na}} Ar-R + 2 \text{ NaX}$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Much is not known about the details of the reaction.

It could be a simple S_N1 or S_N2 :

$$R-X \xrightarrow{2 \text{ Na}} Na-X + R \bigcirc Na \oplus$$

$$R^{\bigodot}_{Na} + R^{-X} \xrightarrow{R^{\bigodot}_{Na} + R^{\bigodot}_{+}} R^{\bigodot}_{-X} \xrightarrow{R^{-}R}$$

or a radical pathway could be followed:

$$R-X + R-X \xrightarrow{2 \text{ Na}} 2 \text{ Na}X + \left[R \xrightarrow{R} R\right] \longrightarrow R-R$$

Notes:

M. B. Smith, J. March in *March's Advanced Organic Chemistry*, 5th ed., John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 2001, p. 1452; T. Laue, A. Plagens, *Named Organic Reactions*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., New York, 1998, p. 282

See: T. D. Lash, D. Berry, Journal of Chemical Education 1985, 62, 85

Examples:

J. W. Morzycki, S. Kalinowski, Z. Lotowski, J. Rabiczko, Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 10579

Br
$$Cl$$
 $\frac{2 \text{ Na}}{\text{dioxane}}$ Q

G. M. Lampman, J. C. Aumiller, Organic Syntheses CV 6, 133

P. F. Hudrlik, A. K. Kulkarni, S. Jain, A. M. Hudrlik, Tetrahedron 1983, 39, 877

$$Me$$
 Br
 $+ CD_3I$
 Na
 $cyclohexane$
 Me
 Me
 Me
 Me
 Me
 Me
 Me

T. L. Kwa, C. Boelhouwer, Tetrahedron 1969, 25, 5771

C. C. Chappelow, Jr., R. L. Elliott, J. T. Goodwin, Jr., Journal of Organic Chemistry 1962, 27, 1409

H. Nozaki, T. Shirafuji, Y. Yamamoto, Tetrahedron 1969, 25, 3461

J. Ma, T.-H. Chan, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 2499

Yamaguchi Esterification / Reagent

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O \nearrow^H & \\ \hline NEt_3 \ , \ -H \stackrel{\bigoplus}{\bigoplus} & \\ \hline O & Cl & \\ \hline Cl & Cl & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

DMAP = N,N-Dimethylaminopyridine

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\$$

Examples:

R. Nakamura, K. Tanino, M. Miyashita, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 3583

M. Berger, J. Mulzer, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1999, 121, 8393

P. A. Wender, J. L. Baryza, C. E. Bennett, F. C. Bi, S. E. Brenner, M. O. Clarke, J. C. Horan, C. Kan, E. Lacôte, B. Lippa, P. G. Nell, T. M. Turner, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2001**, 124, 13684

Yamamoto Esterification

The Reaction:

Proposed Mechanism:

Notes:

 $Sc(OTf)_3$ is commercially available. This reaction provides good yields and is able to esterify relatively hindered alcohols:

DMAP, Et₃N '75% Sc(OTf)₃ > 95%

K. Ishihara, M. Kubota, H. Kurihara, H. Yamamoto, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 4560

Alcohols react preferentially over phenols; an observation not common to other methods.

The reaction is readily extended to lactone synthesis:

$$(CH_2)_7 \xrightarrow{O_2N} Sc(OTf)_3 \\ COOH HO \xrightarrow{O_2N} MeCN THF \\ 92\% \\ O \\ O \\ (CH_2)_7$$

K. Ishihara, M. Kubota, H. Kurihara, H. Yamamoto, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 4560

Examples:

Yamamoto has examined a number of catalyst systems for the reaction. A simple process using $HfCl_4$ in a soxhlet extractor has shown useful characteristics:

Ph COOH + Ph CH₂OH
$$\frac{\text{HfCl}_4}{\text{THF}}$$

Ph $\frac{\text{COOH}}{\text{O}}$

Ph $\frac{\text{O}}{\text{O}}$

Ph $\frac{\text{O}}{\text{O}}$

Ph $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{O}}$
 $\frac{\text{HfCl}_4}{\text{THF}}$
 $\frac{\text{O}}{\text{O}}$

Me

K. Ishihara, S. Ohara, H. Yamamoto, Science 2000, 290, 1140

NAME REAGENTS and ACRONYMS

In this section we provide a summary of Name Reagents and Acronyms. A few additional reagents are included. We have tried to provide a simple summary of the chemistry within the format:

Name or Acronym

Structure

Chemical Name [CAS Number]

Commercially available or Preparation:

Reference to, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, Volume number page

Notes:

Examples:

Adam's Catalyst

$\mathbb{P}tO_2$

Platinum (IV) Oxide [1314-15-4]

Commercially available

A. O. King, I. Shinkai, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4162

Notes:

1. PtO₂ is a pre-catalyst. In the presence of hydrogen gas and solvent, the oxide is reduced to a fresh platinum surface; the active catalyst.

2. The Brown procedure² for generating a fresh platinum catalyst uses NaBH₄ to reduce the Pt.¹

Examples:

OMe

N
Me

$$H_2 / PtO_2$$
Solvent

AcOH

 $AcOH$

EtOH

 $AcOH$
 $acoH$

¹ H. C. Brown, C. A. Brown, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1962, <u>84</u>, 1493

² K. C. V. Ramanaia, N. Zhu, C. Klein-Stevens, M. L. Trudell, *Organic Letters* 1999, <u>1</u>, 1439

³ Reported in: A. O. King, I. Shinkai, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **6**, 4162

⁴ G. A. Schiehser, J. D. White, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1980, 45, 1864

Adams Reagent

Zn(CN)₂

Zinc cyanide [557-21-1]

Commercially available

H. Heaney, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 8, 5564

Notes: A useful source of HCN for the Gattermann-type formylation reaction.

Examples:

1.1

2.2

 $3.^{3}$

OH
$$Zn(CN)_2$$
 / $AlCl_3$ / HCl OH CHO $COOMe$ 4.4

Me
$$\frac{1. \operatorname{Zn}(\operatorname{CN})_2, \operatorname{C}_2\operatorname{H}_2\operatorname{Cl}_2}{\operatorname{HCl}, \operatorname{AlCl}_3}$$
 $\frac{\operatorname{Me}}{\operatorname{He}}$ $\frac{\operatorname{Me}}{\operatorname{CHO}}$ $\frac{\operatorname{Me}}{\operatorname{Me}}$ $\frac{\operatorname{Me}}{\operatorname{CHO}}$ $\frac{\operatorname{Me}}{\operatorname{Me}}$ $\frac{\operatorname{CHO}}{\operatorname{Me}}$

¹ E. Montgomery, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1924, 46, 1518

² Z. Yang, H. B. Liu, C. M. Lee, H. Mou Chang, H. N. C. Wong, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1992, 57, 7248

³ A. V. R. Rao, N. Sreenivasan, D. Reddeppa, N. Reddy, V. H. Deshpande, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1987, 28, 455

⁴ R. C. Fuson, E. C. Horning, S. P. Rowland, M. L. Ward, Organic Syntheses CV3, 549

AIBN

Commercially available. This and related reagents can be prepared by the general scheme

N. S. Simpkins, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 229

Notes:

This reagent is useful for initiating radical reactions. Since it is a radical initiator, only small amounts are needed. For reactions at higher temperature, ACN (1,1'-azobis-1-cyclohexanenitrile [2094-98-6]) has been suggested (see Example 2).

Initiation:

Example

1.4

 $2.^{3}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{OEt} & \text{OEt} \\ \text{O} & \text{CH}_2 \text{I} \\ \text{ACN, toluene} \\ \\ \text{TBDMSO} & \text{Bu}_3 \text{Sn} \\ \text{O} & \text{TBDMSO} \\ \end{array}$$

AIBN gave lower yield

ACN = Azobiscyclohexylnitrile

72%

¹ G. E. Keck, D. A. Burnett, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1987, 52, 2958

² K. Castle, C.-S. Hau, J. B. Sweeney, C. Tindall, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 757

³ G. E. Keck, D. A. Burnett, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1987, <u>52</u>, 2958

Albright-Goldman Reagent¹

DMSO-Ac₂O

[DMSO] [Acetic anhydride]

Commercially available. Both DMSO and Ac2O are readily available.

T. T. Tidwell, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 2145

Notes: The mechanism of this oxidation is suggested to be:

Me S - O Me O Me

$$R - \stackrel{\cdot}{C} - OH$$
 $R - \stackrel{\cdot}{C} - OH$
 Me
 Me

See DMSO-based Oxidations, in Aldehyde Syntheses

Examples: 1.2 DMSO / Ac₂O 89% $2.^{3}$ 80 - 85% ЮН MeOOC MeOOC 3.4 Me. COOH Mc 、 **CHO** so₃ DMSO -Ac₂O Bisulfite complex 90% Ph

¹ J. D. Albright, L. Goldman, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1967, 89, 2416

² E. Montgomery, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1924, 46, 1518

³ (a) J. D. Albright, L. Goldman, Journal of American Chemical Society 1965, <u>87</u>, 4214 (b) Journal of Organic Chemistry 1965, 30, 1107

⁴ P. G. M. Wuts, C. L. Bergh, Tetrahedron Letters 1986, 27, 3995

Allyl Boron Reagents

Notes:

The reagents described are used to generate chiral allyl groups. In reaction with aldehydes:

Examples: of chiral allyl-boron reagents:

Examples:

1.1

	Yield	Percent ee
Rousch	70	47
Corey	33	37
Brown	80	96

 $2.^{2}$

M. Lautens, M. L. Madess, E. L. O. Sauer, S. G. Ouellet, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 83
 T. Ishiyama, T. Ahiko, N. Miyaura, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 12414

Attenburrow's Oxide^{1,2}

MnO₂

Manganese dioxide [1313-13-9]

Commercially available

G. Cahiez, M. Alami, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3229

Notes:

This is a selective oxidizing reagent for sensitive substrates, particularly alcohols adjacent to pisystems. The preparation of the active reagent is critical to its success.

Examples:

 $1.^{3}$

hexane

MeOH, NaCN

70% overall

Me

A. J. Fatiadi, Synthesis 1976, 65, 133

² J. Attenburrow, A. F. B. Cameron, J. H. Chapman, R. M. Evans, B. A. Hems, A. B. A. Jansen, T. Walker, Journal of the Chemical Society 1952, 1094

³ K. M. Brummond, P. C. Still, H. Chen, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 149

⁴ J. Cuomo, Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry 1985, 33, 717

⁵ P. C. Mukharji, A. N. Ganguly, Tetrahedron 1969, 25, 5281 ⁶ E. J. Corey, J. A. Katzenellenbogen, N. W. Gilman, S. A. Roman, B. W. Erickson, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1968, 90, 5618

9-BBN



9-Borobicyclo[3.3.1]nonane

[280-64-8]

[21205-91-4] Crystalline dimer

Commercially available. Can be prepared from the reaction of 1,5-cyclooctadiene with diborane.

J. A. Soderquist, A. Negron, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 622

Notes:

As with borane, this reagent exists as a dimer. Unlike diborane, the solid dimer has limited stability to the atmosphere, but should be stored in an inert environment. *Commercially available solutions should be maintained under inert atmosphere and anhydrous conditions.* Due to its steric bulk, 9-BBN is seen to be more selective than diborane. This is even observed in reactions where the 9-BBN group is a non-reacting center.¹

Examples:

1.2

This intermediate is taken on to the next step, a <u>Suzuki reaction</u>.

After mild oxidation to form the alcohol (see <u>Brown's Hydroboration</u>) the <u>Swern oxidation</u> formed the aldehyde in overall 98% yield

¹ S. C. Pellegrinet, M. A. Silva, J. M. Goodman, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 2001, 123, 8832

² A. Kamatani, L. E. Overman, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 1229

³ N. C. Kallan, R. L. Halcomb, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 2687

Belleau's Reagent

1,3,2,4-Dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-bis(4-phenoxyphenyl)-2,4-disulfide [88816-02-8]

Preparation: Details of the synthesis are not reported except that the procedure followed H. Z. Lecher, R. A. Greenwood, K. C. Whitehouse, T. H. Chao, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1956**, <u>78</u>, 5018

Notes:

Similar to <u>Lawesson's</u> and <u>Davy's reagents</u>. Used as a mild thionation reagent for esters and lactones.

Examples:

1.2

G. Lajoie, F. Lépine, L. Maziak, B. Belleau, Tetrahedron Letters 1983, 24, 3815

² A.G. M. Barrett, A. C. Lee, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1992, 57, 2818

³ A. P. Degnan, A. I. Meyers, Journal of American Chemical Society 1999, 121, 2762

⁴ S. V. Ley, A. Priour, C. Heusser, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 711

BINAP

2,2'-Bis(diphenylphosphino)-1,1'-binaphththyl

[76189-55-4] R-(+)

[76189-56-5] S-(-)

Commercially available

K. Kitamura, R. Noyori, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 509

Notes: A chiral diphosphine ligand to be used with transition metal catalyzed reactions.

Examples:

Geraniol Ru(OAc)₂ (R)-BINAP

¹ T. Ohta, H. M. Kitamura, K. Nagai, R. Noyori, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1987, <u>52</u>, 3174

² H. Takaya, T. Ohta, S. Inoue, M. Tokunaga, M. Kitamura, R. Noyori, Organic Syntheses 1994, <u>72</u>, 74

³ T. Hayashi, M. Takahashi, Y. Takaya, M. Ogasawara, Organic Syntheses 2001, 79, 84

BINOL

Commercially available

K. Mikama, Y. Motoyama, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 397

Notes: As a reagent for introducing chirality, a BINOL-based crown ether has been reported:

Examples:

1.2

2.3

$$Ph$$
——H

 Ph ——CHO

 Me_2Zn
 Ph
 Ph

¹ R. C. Helgeson, J. M. Timko, P. Moreau, S. C. Peacock, J. M. Mayer, D. J. Cram, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1974**, <u>96</u>, 6762

² K. Ishihara, S. Nakamura, M. Kaneeda, H. Yamamoto, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1996**, <u>118</u>, 12854

³ Z.-B. Li, L. Pu, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 1065

BITIP

Ti(i-PrO)₄ / BINOL

Binol/Titanium isopropoxide

Preparation:

Notes:

A useful chiral catalyst.

Examples:

1.2

Intermediates of this type are useful for a pyran annulation protocol:

For an example of other uses of chiral Lewis acids (CLA) to synthesis:⁴

¹ G. E. Keck, K. H. Tarbet, L. S. Geraci, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1993, 115, 8467

² G. E. Keck, J. A. Covel, T. Schiff, T. Yu, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 1189²

³ G. E. Keck, X.-Y. Li, D. Khrishnamurthy, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1995, <u>60</u>, 5998

⁴ C. Wolf, Z. Fadul, P. A. Hawes, E. C. Volpe, Tetrahedron Asymmetry 2004, 15, 1987

BMDA

Bromomagnesium diisopropylamide [50715-01-0]

Preparation: From the reaction of RMgX with diisopropylamine.

R. H. Erickson, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 740

Notes: Shown to be an extremely useful base for generating thermodynamic enolates. Useful for *aldol condensations*.

Examples:

1.2 OTMS
OTMS
OTMS

LDA, DME, TMSCI
1 : 99

BMDA,Et₃N, TMSCI
97 : 3

Stereochemistry is highly dependent on reaction conditions

¹ M. E. Krafft, R. A. Holton, Tetrahedron Letters 1983, 24, 1345

² A. Yanagisawa, T. Watanabe, T. Kikuchi, H. Yamamoto, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2000**, <u>65</u>, 2979

³ T. Fukuyama, K. Akasaka, D. S. Karanewsky, C.-L. J. Wang, G. Schmid, Y. Kishi, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1979**, <u>101</u>, 262

BMS

 BH_3 - Me_2S Borane Dimethylsulfide [13292-87-0]

Commercially available

M. Zaidlewics, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 634

Notes: 1. Use as other *hydroborating reagents*. Its value is in the increased reagent stability and solvent solubility. Like other hydroborating agents, it is stable to an array of functional groups. It is useful for the reduction of ozonides.

2. A recent report describes replacing the dimethyl sulfide with larger alkyl-substituted sulfides to reduce stench.¹

Examples:

1.2

78% with this stereochemistry

¹ M. Zaidlewicz, J. V. B. Kanth, H. C. Brown, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 6697

² D. A. Evans, J. Bartroli, T. Godel, Tetrahedron Letters 1982, 23, 4577

³ R. M. Bannister, M. H. Brookes, G. R. Evans, R. B. Katz, N. D. Tyrrell, Organic Process Research & Development 2000, 4, 467

⁴ L. A. Flippin, D. W. Gallagher, K. Jalali- Araghi, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, <u>54</u>, 1430

Boc-Cl

Preparation: Prepared from t-butyl alcohol (or K^+ t-BuO') and phosgene.

G. Sennyey, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 859

Notes:

Reagent used for the protection of amino groups. Because of the steric influence of the Boc protecting group, it is quite stable to base hydrolysis and catalytic reduction with hydrogen.

See 1-(t-butoxycarbonyl)imidazole [49761-82-2] (I. Grapsas, S. Mobashery, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 835) and di-t-butyl dicarbonate (Boc₂O) [24424-99-5](M. Wakselman, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1602 for similar roles as providing Boc protecting groups.

Examples:

$$2.^{2}$$

$$NH_{2} \qquad Boc_{2}O \quad Me-CN$$

$$100\%$$

$$N-Boc$$

3.3

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{H} \underbrace{\stackrel{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}}}{\overset{\text{N}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}{\overset{\text{N}}}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{N}}{\overset{$$

¹ R. C. F. Jones, A. K. Crockett, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 7459

² Y. Basel, A. Hassner, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 6368

³ D. K. Mohapatra, A. Datta, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, <u>64</u>, 6879

BOMCI

Benzyl chloromethyl ether

Source of the BOM (Benzyloxymethyl) protecting group [3587-60-8]

Commercially available

H. W. Pinnick, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 327.

Notes: This is often used as a protecting group for alcohols, where it is observed that primary alcohols form more readily than secondary hydroxy groups, which in turn are more reactive than tertiary alcohols. As with most benzylic ethers, this protecting group can be removed by hydrogenolysis over Pd or by metal-ammonia reduction.

Examples:

1.2

¹ See: T. W. Greene, P. G. M. Wuts, *Protective Groups in Organic Synthesis*, Wiley-Interscience, New York. Third Edition, 1999, p 36

² W. R. Roush B. B. Brown, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1993, 58, 2162

³ K. C. Nicolaou, D. A. Claremon, W. E. Barnette, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1980**, <u>102</u>, 6611

⁴ S. M. A. Rahman, H. Ohno, T. Murata, H. Yoshino, N. Satoh, K. Murakami, D. Patra, C. Iwata, N. Maezaki, T. Tanaka, *Organic Letters* **2001**, *3*, 619

Brassard's Diene

Preparation:1

The general preparation was along the lines:

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ CO_2Me \\ \\ Me \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 1.\,LDA \\ \hline \\ 2.\,TMSCI \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R \\ \\ R' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OTMS \\ \\ R' \end{array}$$

Notes: See similarity with <u>Chan's</u>, ² <u>Danishefsky's</u> and <u>Rawal's Diene</u>.

For chemistry of related dienes, see: S. Danishefsky, *Accounts of Chemical Research* **1981**, <u>14</u>, 400.

Examples:

 $1.^{3}$

 2.4^{4}

¹ P. Brassard, J. Savard, Tetrahedron Letters 1979, 21, 4911

² P. Brownbridge, T. H. Chan, M. A. Brook, G. J. Kang, Canadian Journal of Chemistry 1983, 61,

³ M. M. Midland, R. S. Graham, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1984, 106, 4294

⁴ M. M. Midland, J. I. McLaughlin, Tetrahedron Letters 1988, 29, 4653

Bredereck's Reagent

Preparation:

Commercially available

W. Kantlehner, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 828

Notes: This reagent places an enamine adjacent to a carbonyl group, in essence, providing a mild formylation protocol.

Me

Examples:

Me

1.1

¹ F. E. Ziegler, J.-M. Fang, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1981, 46, 827

² R. Jakse, S. Recnik, J. Svete, A. Golobic, L. Golic, B. Stanovnik, *Tetrahedron* 2001, <u>57</u>, 839

³ E. Morera, F. Pinnen, G. Lucente, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 1139

Burgess Reagent

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\text{Et} & O & \ominus \\
\text{Et} - N - S - N \\
\text{Et} & O \\
\end{array}$$
COOMe

Methyl, N-(triethylammoniosulfonyl)carbamate [29864-56-8]

Commercially available

P. Taibi, S. Mobushery, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3345

Notes: Efficient catalyst for the stereospecific *cis*-dehydration of 2 and 3 alcohols. Also useful for the preparation of oxazolines, a "benzyl Burgess reagent" has been reported, as has been a polymer-supported reagent.²

Examples:

 $1.^{3}$

$$2.4^{4}$$

¹ M. R. Wood, J. Y. Kim, K. M. Books, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 3887

² P. Wipf, S. Venkatraman, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, <u>37</u>, 4659

³ D. J. Goldsmith, H. S. Kezar, III, Tetrahedron Letters 1980, 21, 3543

⁴ P. Wipf, S. Venkatraman, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, <u>37</u>, 4659

⁵ P. Wipf, W. Xu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 6556

n-Butyl Tin Hydride (TBTH)

(*n*-Bu)₃SnH tri-*n*-butylstannane [688-73-3]

Commercially available

T. V. RajanBabu, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 5016

Notes:

Reactions with TBTH are often initiated with AIBN. Useful for reduction of the C-X bond to C-H.

The reagent will selectively remove I, Br, or Cl in the presence of other functional groups.

Since this is a source of radicals, the reagent can find use in <u>Barton-McCombie Reaction</u> and <u>Dowd-Beckwith Ring Expansion</u>, as well as radical cyclization reactions.

Examples:

 $2.^{2}$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & &$$

3. Heathcock has found that a Zn-Ag reagent is extremely useful for the conversion:³

D. P. Curran, D. M. Rakiewicz, Tetrahedron 1985, 41, 3943

² P. Dowd, S. C. Choi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1987, 109, 6548

³ R. D. Clark, C. H. Heathcock, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1972, 88, 3657

CAN

$Ce(NH_4)_2(NO_3)_6$

Cerium(IV) ammonium nitrate, Ceric ammonium nitrate [16774-21-3]

Commercially available

T.-L. Ho, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1029

Notes: A very strong one-electron oxidizing agent. See also *CAS*.

$$OR$$
 CAN
 OR
 $R = H, \text{ or Me}$

Examples:

1.1

4. Can be used to convert a hydrazone to an ester.

¹ K. Pachamuthu, Y. D. Vankar, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 7511

² A. J. Clark, C. P. Dell, J. M. McDonagh, J. Geden, P. Mawdsley, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 2063

³ A. Ates, A. Gautier, B. Leroy, J.-M. Planncher, Y. Quesnel, I. E. Marko, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1999, 40, 1799

⁴ B. Stefane, M. Kocevar, S. Polanc, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 4429

CAS

Ce(NH₄)₄(SO₄)₄

Cerium(IV) ammonium sulfate Ceric ammonium sulfate [7637-03-8] hydrate [10378-47-9] anhydrous

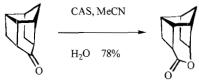
Commercially available

M. Periasamy, U. Radhakrishnan Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1029

Notes: Strong one-electron oxidizing agent. See also <u>CAN</u>.

Examples:

1.1



Note that the major product from the CAS reaction was the minor product from the peracid-initiated Baeyer-Villiger oxygen insertion.

 $2.^{2}$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & CAS & H & ROH \\
\hline
CAS & H & OH & ROH \\
\hline
CAS & H & OH & ROH \\
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CAS & P & ROH & ROH \\
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CAS & P & ROH & ROH & ROH \\
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G. Mehta, P. N. Pandeyl, T.-L. Ho, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1976, 41, 953

² M. V. Brett, M. Periasany, Tetrahedron 1994, <u>50</u>, 3515

Catecholborane

Commercially available

Preparation: A new convenient preparation has been reported.1

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & \\ & & \\ & \\ & & \\$$

M. S. VanNieuwenhze, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1017

Notes:

A special reducing agent for:2

$$\searrow_{N-N-Ts}$$

providing an alternative to the Wolff-Kishner reduction.

A number of functional groups do not react with catecholborane: These include: organohalogen, alcohols and thiols, ethers, amides, nitro groups, and sulfones. Slowly reducing groups include acid chlorides, esters and nitriles. Aldehydes, ketones, imines, and sulfoxides are reduced. A hydroborating agent.

Examples: 1.3

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{C}_8\text{H}_{17} \\ \text{CHCl}_3 \\ \text{Ts-N} \\ \text{H} \end{array}$$

¹ J. V. B. Kanth, M. Periasamy, H. C. Brown, Organic Process Research & Development 2000, 4, 550

² G. W. Kabalka, J. D. Baker, Jr., Journal of Organic Chemistry 1975, 40, 1834

³ G. W. Kabalka, R. Hutchins, N. R. Natale, D. T. C. Yang, V. Broach, Organic Syntheses CV6, 293

⁴ N. Miyaura, A. Suzuki, Organic Syntheses CV8, 532

Cbz-Cl

Benzyl chloroformate. source of the carbobenzyloxy (Cbz-) protecting group. [501-53-1]

Commercially available

P. Sampson, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 323

Notes: An important functional group for protecting amines as carbamates and alcohols as benzyl carbonates. Notable for the protection of amino acids during peptide synthesis.

$$\bigoplus_{H_3N} \stackrel{\bigcirc}{\bigwedge} O \qquad \xrightarrow{CbzCl} \stackrel{Base}{\longrightarrow} Cbz - NH \stackrel{\stackrel{\frown}{\bigvee}}{\bigcirc} OH$$

Examples:

1.1

 $2.^{2}$

D. L. Comins, C. A. Brooks, R. S. Al-awar, R. R. Goehring, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 229 ³ M. Carrasco, R. V. Jones, S. Kamel, H. Rapoport, T. Truong, Organic Syntheses CV9, 63

² W. R. Baker, J. D. Clark, R. L. Stephens, K. H. Kim, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1988, 53, 2340

Chan's Diene

1,3-Bis-(trimethylsilyloxy)-1-methoxy-buta-1,3-diene

3,7-dioxa-2,6-disilanon-4-ene

Preparation:

T. Kitahara, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3330

Notes: See Brassard's, Danishefsky's and Rawal's Diene and for similar reactions; different substitution patterns.

Examples:

 $1.^{2}$

¹ P. Brownbridge, T. H. Chan, Tetrahedron Letters 1980, 21, 3423

² D. A. Evans, E. Hu, J. D. Burch, G. Jaeschke, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 5654

G. E. Keck, T. Yu, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 289

⁴ I. Paterson, R. D. M. Davies, A. C. Heimann, R. Marquez, A. Meyer, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 4477

Collins and Sarrett Reagents¹

$$\left(\left\langle \begin{array}{c} N \\ 2 \end{array} \right\rangle_2^{\text{CrO}_3}$$

Chromium trioxide bispyridine complex [26412-88-4] [1333-82-0] [110-86-1]

Preparation: Chromium trioxide is added to pyridine, with cooling. See: *Organic Reactions*, **1998**, <u>53</u>, 15 for details of preparation. Order of mixing is critical. Addition of pyridine to chromium trioxide may result in fire.

F. Freeman, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 4, 2272

Notes:

- 1. A non-acidic oxidizing reagent. It is quite tolerant of other functional groups.
- Similar to the Sarrett Reagent. The major difference appears that the classical Collins Reagent is filtered while the Sarrett is used in pyridine.
- Allylic oxidations may also be carried out with the related Chromium(VI) Oxide-3,5-Dimethylpyrazole (DMP) complex.²

$$CrO_3$$
 $Me \xrightarrow{N}_{H}^{M}$

- 4. The Ratcliffe Reagent is prepared in situ in dichloromethane.³
- 5. Largely replaced by <u>PCC</u> and <u>PDC</u>.
- 6. See Chromium-based Oxidizing agents.

Examples:

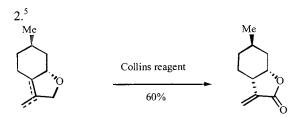
1.4

Me

Collins reagent

Me

Ca, 28% (about the same as with CrO₃-DMP



¹ J. C. Collins, W. W. Hess, F. J. Frank, Tetrahedron Letters 1968, 9, 3363

² E. J. Corey, G. W. J. Fleet, Tetrahedron Letters 1973, 14, 4459

³ R. W. Ratcliff, Organic Syntheses CV 6, 373

⁴ M. Harmata, G. J. Bohnert, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 59

⁵ H. M. C. Ferraz, M. V. A. Grazini, C. M. R. Ribeiro, U. Brocksom, T. J. Brocksom, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2000**, <u>65</u>, 2606

Collman's Reagent¹

Na₂Fe(CO)₄

Disodium tetracarbonylferrate [14878-31-0] [59733-73-2] dioxane complex

Commercially available as dioxane complex

R. D. Pike, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 4, 2299

Notes:

A general scheme:

Br
$$\xrightarrow{\text{Collman's reagent}}$$
 $\xrightarrow{\text{Sp}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Collman's reagent}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Sp}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Collman's reagent}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Collman's reagent}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Collman's reagent}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Collman's reagent}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Pr}}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{$

Examples:

Isomerization catalyst

$$H_2C = C = C$$
 $H_2C = C = C$
 $H_2C = C$

a) J. P. Collman, Accounts of Chemical Research 1975, 8, 342 (b) J. P. Collman, R. G. Finke, J. N. Cawse, J. I. Brauman, Journal of the American Chemical Society, 1977, 99, 2515 (c) J. P. Collman, R. G. Finke, J. N. Cawse, J. I. Brauman, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1978, 100, 4766 ² D. Bankston, F. Fang, E. Huie, S. Xie, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, <u>64</u>, 3461

³ J. E. McMurry, A. Andrejs, G. M. Ksander, J. H. Musser, M. A. Johnson, *Tetrahedron* 1981, <u>37</u>, 319

⁴ J. Y. Mérour, J. L. Roustan, C. Charrier, J. Benaim, J. Collin, P. Cadiot, *Journal of Organometallic* Chemistry 1979, 168, 337

Comins' Reagent

$$N$$
 SO_2CF_3
 SO_2CF_3

2-[N,N-Bis(trifluoromethylsulfonyl)amino]-5-chloropyridine [145100-51-2]

Commercially available

Preparation:1

Notes: Reagent used for the conversion of carbonyl groups to -OTf derivatives.

Examples:

¹ D. L. Comins, A. Dehgani, C. J. Foti, S. P. Joseph, Organic Syntheses CV9, 165

² S. M. Ceccarelli, U. Piarulli, J. Telsera, C. Gennaria, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2001**, <u>42</u>, 7421

³ J. A. Marshall, E. A. Van Devender, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 8037

⁴ K. Yamamoto, C. H. Heathcock, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1709

Copper-Organometallics

Gilman Cuprates

Normant Cuprates

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & & \text{Cu I (cat)} \\ \text{2} & \text{R-MgX} & & & & \text{R}_2\text{CuMgX} \end{array}$$

Knochel Cuprates

The *Knochel cuprates* are able to tolerate a large variety of other functional groups imbedded in "R".

Reactivity differences are readily seen in the 1,4-addition to enones:



The *Normant variation* adds the same way. Since the CuI is only catalytic, it becomes obvious that the reagent is much more reactive than the *Grignard* starting material.

For the *Knochel reaction* an added Lewis acid is needed to enhance the 1,4-addition; otherwise 1,2-addition would take place. A major advantage of the *Knochel reagent* is that other functional groups (ester, carbonyl, nitrile, Cl, sulfoxide and terminal alkyne) are possible with the organo-zinc starting material.

Corey-Chaykovsky Reagent 1,2

$$\begin{array}{c}
H_2C \oplus \ominus \\
H_3C - S - O
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
H_3C & \bullet \\
\bullet & \bullet
\end{array}$$

Examples: 1.4

Trimethylsulfoxonium iodide [1774-47-6]

Commercially available. Preparation:³

J. S. Ng, C. Liu, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 5335

Notes: This reagent finds use in epoxidation of carbonyl groups. Can also cyclopropanate enone systems.

NaH **DMSO** 67-76%

¹ Review: Y. G. Gololobov, A. N. Nesmeyanov, V. P. Lysenco, I. E. Boldeskul, *Tetrahedron* 1987,

<sup>43, 2609
&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> E. J. Corey, M. Chaykovsky, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1962, 84, 867
² E. J. Corey, M. Chaykovsky, *Journal of the resent are* provided: E. J. Corey, M. Chayko ³ Details of the preparation and use of the reagent are provided: E. J. Corey, M. Chaykovsky, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1965, 87, 1350

C. F. D. Amigo, I. G. Collado, J. R. Hanson, R. Hernandez-Galan, P. B. Hitchcock, A. J. Macías-Sánchez, D. J. Mobbs, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 4327

⁵ J. S. Ng, Synthetic Communications 1990, 20, 1193

⁶ C. Mahaim, L. Schwager, P.-A. Carrupt, P. Vogel, Tetrahedron Letters 1983, 24, 3603

⁷ E. J. Corey, M. Chaykovsky, Organic Syntheses CV5, 755

Corey-Kim Reagent

N-Chlorosuccinimide-dimethyl sulfide [39095-38-0]

Preparation: By reaction of <u>NCS</u> with dimethylsulfide. Prepared *in situ* in solvents such as dichloromethane, THF or toluene.

R. C. Kelly, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1208

Notes: Mild oxidizing agent (*See DMSO Oxidations in <u>Aldehyde Syntheses</u>*). A source of the S-Me electrophile. For an odorless protocol: Instead of DMSO, dodecyl methyl sulfide is used in the reaction; thus, eliminating the dimethylsulfide by-product.

Examples:

1.2

No yield provided; however, it was reported that this process was not as effective as the <u>Swern Oxidation</u>. $\frac{Oxidation}{3}$.

In this report a number of additional examples of primary and secondary alcohol oxidations are provided.

¹ K. Nishide, S. Ohsugi, M. Fudesaka, S. Kodama, M. Node, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 5177

² M. Kawahara, A. Nishida, M. Nakagawa, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 675

³ J. Z. Ho, R. M. Mohareb, J. H. Ahn, T. B. Sim, H. Rapoport, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 2003, 68, 109

⁴ E. J. Corey, C. U. Kim, P. F. Misco, Organic Syntheses CV 6, 220

Corey-Seebach Reagent

2-Lithio-1,3-dithiane [36049-90-8]

Preparation:

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ X \\ H \\ S \end{array} \xrightarrow{\text{Li-Base}} \begin{array}{c} R \\ C \\ S \end{array}$$

M. Kolb, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 2983

Notes: An "umpolung" reagent.

The partial positive charge on carbon

Negative charge

Examples:

1.1

H S 1. NaNH₂ Et - CH₂-CH₂-O-CH₂-CH₂-O
$$\bigcirc$$
 Na Et - CH S \bigcirc ET

96%

 $3.^{3}$

47-55%

¹ P. Gros, P. Hansen, P. Caubere, *Tetrahedron* 1996, <u>52</u>, 15147

² P. G. Steel, E.J. Thomas, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transaction 1 1997, 371

³ B. G. Hazra, S. Basu, B. B. Bahule, V. S. Pore, B. N. Vyas, V. M. Ramraj, *Tetrahedron* 1997, <u>53</u>, 4909

⁴ D. Seebach, A. K. Beck, Organic Syntheses CV6, 869

Corey's Reagent

PCC

$$\bigcap_{\substack{H \\ \bigoplus_{i=1}^{N} \\ O = C_i - C_i}} \bigcirc_{\bigcirc}^{O}$$

Pyridinium Chlorochromate [26299-14-9]

Commercially available. An improved preparation has been reported.

G. Piancatelli, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4356

Notes:

PCC can be used under solvent-free conditions.² Mechanistic studies.³ PCC/I₂ is useful for the conversion:⁴

$$\underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} \text{OTMS} & \text{PCC} \\ \hline \\ I_2 \end{array} } \underbrace{ \begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \\ \end{array} }$$

Examples:

S. Agarwal, H. P. Tiwari, J. P. Sharma, Tetrahedron 1990, 46, 4417

² P. Salehi, H. Firouzabadi, A. Farrokhi, M. Gholizadeh, Synthesis 2001, 2237

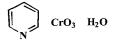
³ S. Agarwal, H. P. Tiwari, J. P. Sharma, Tetrahedron 1990, 46, 1963

⁴ G. Piancatelli, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **6**, 4356

⁵ G. I. Hwang, J.-H. Chung, W. K. Lee, Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 12111

⁶ J. Cossy, S. BouzBouz, M. Laghgar, B. Tabyaoui, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 823

Cornforth Reagent



Chromium trioxide / Pyridine / Water [110-86-1] [1333-82-0]

Fieser's Reagent

CrO₃ HOAcChromium trioxide Acetic Acid [1333-82-0] [64-19-7]

F. Freeman, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1273

Criegee Reagent

Pb(OAc)4

Lead tetraacetate (LTA) [546-67-8]

Commercially available

M. L. Mihailovic, Z. Cekovic, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **5**, 2949

Notes:

The "named reagent" is most closely associated with the cleavage of 1,2-diols. *Cis*-diols are cleaved more readily than *trans* diols. Different mechanistic interpretations are invoked for the two processes:

HO OH
$$Pb(OAc)_4$$
 O OAc OAC

Reported1

HO
$$\frac{\text{LTA}}{\text{RR} = 1000}$$
 $\frac{\text{LTA}}{\text{RR} = 1}$ $\frac{\text{OH}}{\text{OH}}$

Examples:

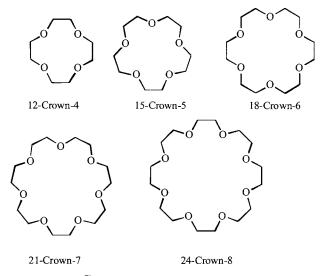
2.
3
Me OOC Me OH O

¹ M. L. Mihailovic, Z. Cekovic, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **5**, 2949

² J. Xia, Y.-Z. Hui, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1997, 8, 451

³ M. G. Banwell, G. S. Forman, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1 1996, 2565

Crown Ether

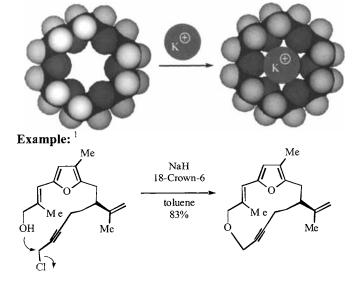


n-Crown-m

Where n gives ring size and m- gives number of heteroatoms

Commercially available

These materials, generally used as cosolvents, are useful in holding cations in their cavaties; thus, allowing the anion to be more reactive.



¹ J. A. Marshall, G. S. Bartley, E. M. Wallace, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 5729

CSA

Camphorsulfonic Acid [5872-08-2]

Commercially available

E. M. Leahy, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 969

Notes: A useful acid catalyst.

Examples:

Me OH Me OH OH

¹ X. Xiong, E. J. Corey, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, <u>122</u>, 9338

² J. Aiguade, J. Hao, C. J. Forsyth, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 979

³ A. G. Myers, B. Zheng, Organic Syntheses CV10, 2350

DABCO



[280-57-9]

1,4-Diazabicylo[2.2.2]octane, triethylenediamine, TED

Commercially available

U. V. Mallavadhani, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1494

Notes: Useful for organometallic complexation. Selective base used for the Bayliss-Hillman <u>reaction</u>. Has been used for the <u>Haller-Bauer</u> cleavage reaction. Streitwieser¹ has examined a new scale of amine basicity (K_{ip}), where the lower the p K_{ip} values the stronger the base. In this analysis:

DABCO Proton Sponge **DMAP** Quinuclidine Me pK_{ip} 2.15 0.80 0.61 0.15 -3.78**Examples:** $1.^{2}$ CHO COOMe (74)TMS: COOMe **TMSO** DABCO, PhH 73% COOMe (26) $2.^{3}$ TsCl, DABCO TEA 91% DABCO COOMe Ме-СНО MeOH 79%

A. Streitieser, Y.-J. Kim, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 48, 11783

² Y. Matsuya, K. Hayashi, H. Nemoto, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, <u>125</u>, 646

³ Z. Wang, S. Campagna, K. Yang, G. Xu, M. E. Pierce, J. M. Fortunak, P. N. Confalone, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 1889

⁴ C. Behrens, L. Paquette, Organic Syntheses CV10, 2316

Dane's Diene

Notes:

This is a diene useful for the construction of steroid skeletal.

Examples:

Q.-Y. Hu, P. D. Rege, E. J. Corey, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2004, 126, 5984

² S. Woskiand, M. Koreeda, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1992, <u>57</u>, 5736

³ G. Quinkert, M. del Grosso, A. Bucher, M. Bauch, W. Döring, J. W. Bats, G. Dürner, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1992, 33, 3617

Danishefsky's Diene

trans-1-methoxy-3-trimethylsiloxy-1,3-butadiene [59414-23-21]

T. Kitahara, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **5**, 3395

Examples:

1.1

 $3.^{3}$

¹ B. Danieli, G. Lesma, M. Luzzani, D. Passarella, A. Silvani, *Tetrahedron* 1996, <u>52</u>, 11291

² B. Ye, H. Nakamura, A. Murai, *Tetrahedron* **1996**, <u>52</u>, 6361

³ J. P. Konopelski, R.A. Kalsar, Tetrahedron Letters 1993, 34, 4587

DAST

(Diethylamino)sulfur trifluoride [38078-09-0]

Commercially available

A. H. Fauq, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1787

Notes:

A useful fluorinating reagent. Readily converts the –OH group of an alcohol to –F. Deoxy-Fluor Reagent® [bis-(2-methoxyethyl) amino sulfur trifluoride] has been found to be more stable.

Examples:

1.1

Et₂NSF₃

CH₂Cl₂
67%

¹ G. S. Lal, E. Lobach, A. Evans, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 4830

² A. R. Tunoori, J. M. White, G. I. George, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 4091

³ D. J. Hallett, U. Gerhard, S. C. Goodacre, L. Hitzel, T. J. Sparey, S. Thomas, M. Rowley, R. G. Ball, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2000**, <u>65</u>, 4984

⁴ W. J. Middleton, E.M. Bingham, Organic Syntheses CV6, 835

Davis's Oxaziridine

Preparation:

B.-C. Chen, F.A. Davis, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **6**, 4054

Notes:

A useful oxidizing agent. Will convert organic sulfides to sulfoxides without overoxidation and disubstituted enamines to α -aminoketones. Most useful is the oxidation of carbanions to hydroxyl groups.

$$R-S' \longrightarrow R-S'$$

$$R-S' \longrightarrow R-S'$$

$$R-N \longrightarrow R-N-O$$

$$R \longrightarrow R$$

¹ J. Narayanan, Y. Hayakawa, J. Fan, K. L. Kirk, Bioorganic Chemistry 2003, 31, 191

² J. D. White, R. G. Carter, K. F. Sundermann, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, <u>64</u>, 684

Davy's Reagent

Preparation:

$$MeOH + P_4S_{10} \longrightarrow MeS S S S$$

J. Voss, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 535

Notes:

More reactive than <u>Lawesson's Reagent</u>. Can convert a carboxylic acid directly to a dithioester. See also, <u>Belleau's Reagent</u>.

$$R \xrightarrow{O} \frac{MeS}{N} \xrightarrow{S} \frac{SMe}{S}$$

$$R \xrightarrow{O} R \xrightarrow{S-Me} R$$

Is also useful for the general conversion of a carbonyl group to a thiacarbonyl.

¹ N. M. Yousif, U. Pedersen, B. Yde, S.-O. Lawesson, Tetrahedron 1984, 40, 2663

² Y. Vallee, S. Masson, J.-L, Ripoli, *Tetrahedron* **1990**, <u>46</u>, 3928

³ J. Nieschalk, E. Schaumann, *Liebigs Annelen* **1996**, 141 (AN 1995: 48264)

DBN

Commercially available

A. C. Savoco, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1491

Notes:

An organic base, soluble in a variety of common organic solvents. Useful for equilibrations and elimination reactions.

¹ E. Piers, M. Gilbert, K. L. Cook, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1407

² R. C. Mease, J. A. Hirsch, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1984, 49, 2927

³ G.-C. Wei, T. J. Chow, Y.-P. Yang, Y.-J. Chen, *Tetrahedron* 1993, 49, 2201

⁴ F. Berree, E. Marchand, G. Morel, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1992, <u>33</u>, 6155

DBU

[6674-22-2]

1,5-Diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene

Commercially available

Proton Sponge

A. C. Savaca, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1497

Notes: Streitwieser¹ has examined a new scale of amine basicity (K_{ip}) , where the *lower* the pK_{ip} values the stronger the base. In this analysis:

<u>DABCO</u>

DMAP

Quinuclidine

DBU

	Me Me		Me. Me		
N	Me N Me	\angle_{N}^{N}		LNJ	$\binom{N}{N}$
pK _{ip} Exami	2.15 oles:	0.80	0.61	0.15	-3.78
Examp		0			
MeO - C - OMe					
	≫ OH	DBU		× ⁰ .v.	

¹ A. Streitieser, Y.-J. Kim, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 48, 11783

² W.-C. Shieh, S. Dell, O. Repic, *Organic Letters* **2001**, <u>3</u>, 4279

³ F. A. Luzzio, D. Y. Duveau, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 2002, 13, 117

⁴ P. Magnus, I. K. Sebhat, *Tetrahedron* 1998, <u>54</u>, 15509

DCC

Commercially available

J. S. Albert, A. D. Hamilton, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1751

Notes: Dehydrating agent often used to form esters, amides or anhydrides.

$$R = C_{N} + H = Z \xrightarrow{-H = O + H} R = C_{N}$$

$$Z = -OR$$

$$-N_{N}$$

$$-O_{C} = R'$$

$$O$$

With <u>DMSO</u>, provides a mild oxidizing agent (<u>Pfitzner-Moffatt Oxidation</u>). The reagent has been useful in forming the peptide linkage from amino acids.

With <u>DMAP</u> is used for the <u>Steglich Esterification</u>.

Examples:

¹ J. R. P. Cetusic, F. R. Greene, III, P. R. Graupner, M. P. Oliver, *Organic Letters* **2002**, <u>4</u>, 1307 ² D. Goubet, P. Meric, J.-R. Dormoy, P. Moreau *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1999**, <u>64</u>, 4516

DDO

[74087-85-7] **Preparation:**^{1,2}

Oxone is commercially available

J. A. Crandall, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 206

Notes:

A selective and reactive oxidizing agent. Will epoxidize α,β -unsaturated carbonyl compounds. In epoxidation reactions, there is a strong steric influence directing the facial selectivity:

Examples:

¹ 2KHSO₃•KHSO₄•K₂SO₄ is commercially available as *Oxone*®.

² See: R. W. Murray, M. Singh, Organic Syntheses CV9, 288 for details of preparation.

³ W. E. Billups, V. A. Litosh, R. K. Saini, A. D. Daniels, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 115

⁴ B. C. Raimundo, C. H. Heathcock, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 27

⁵ M. T. Crimmins, J. M. Pace, P. G. Nantermet, A. S. Kim-Meade, J. B. Thomas, S. H. Watterson, A. S. Wagman, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1999, 121, 10249

DDQ

2,3-Dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone [84-58-2]

Commercially available

D. R. Buckle, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1699

Notes: An oxidizing agent useful for dehydrogenations; particularly those resulting in aromatization, extended conjugation from aromatic systems, and the formation of enones. Oxidation of phenol provides quinones.

Examples:

4.4 Rearrangement may accompany dehydrogenation:

¹ S. Cossu, O. DeLucchi, Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 14247

² J. W. A. Findlay, A. B. Turner, Organic Syntheses CV 5, 428

³ S. R. Cheruka, M. P. Padmanilayam, J. L. Vennerstrom, Tetrahedron Letters 2003, 44, 3701

⁴ Reported by D.R. Buckle, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **3**, 1700 (E. A. Braude, L. M. Jackman, R. P. Linstead, G. Lowe, *Journal of the Chemical Society* **1960**, 3123)

DEAD

EtOOC - N = N - COOEt
Diethyl Azodicarboxylate
[1972-28-7]

Commercially available

E. J. Stoner, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1790

Notes:

An oxidizing agent. Useful for the dealkylation of amines; and the conversion of pyrimidines to purines. It is most often associated with triphenylphosphine (*TPP*) in the *Mitsunobu reaction*.

Examples:

¹ E. M. Smissman, A. Makriyannis, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1973, 38, 1652

² E. C. Taylor, F. Sowinski, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1974 39 907

³ B. B. Lohray, A. S. Reddy, V. Bhushan, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1996, 7, 2411

⁴ A. Patti, C. SanFilippo, M. Piattelli, G. Nicolosi, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1996, 7, 2665

Dess-Martin Reagent

1,1-Triacetoxy-1,1-dihydro-1,2-benziodoxol-3(1H)-one periodinane [87413-09-0]

Preparation:

Robert J. Boeckman, Jr., Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4982

Notes: Selective oxidizing agent. Since a mechanistic requirement of this reagent functioning ability is a complexation with the substrate, it is exceedingly important that only the –OH group binds efficiently. A useful advantage of this oxidation protocol is that it takes place under essentially neutral conditions. See: **Dess-Martin Oxidation**.

Examples:

1. Note the preferential oxidation of the primary alcohol

2.
$$\frac{\text{Dess-Martin}}{\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}$$
 MMTO $\frac{\text{MMT}}{\text{Ph}}$ $\frac{\text{MeO}}{\text{Ph}}$ $\frac{\text{Ph}}{\text{4-methoxytrityl}}$

¹ D. A. Evans, J. R. Gage, J. L. Leighton, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1992**, <u>114</u>, 9434 ² A. G. Myers, P. S. Dragovich, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1992**, <u>114</u>, 5859

Diazald

N-Methyl-*N*-nitroso-*p*-toluenesulfonamide [80-11-5]

Commercially available

Y. Terao, M. Sekiya, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3555

Notes:

Precursor of diazomethane, a highly toxic and unpredictably explosive gas. Possibly a carcinogen. Read details carefully before preparation. Reactions with and preparation of diazomethane should be carried out in a fume hood and behind a sturdy safety shield. Rough glass surfaces and strong sunlight are known to initiate detonation.

$$Me \xrightarrow{\text{OH } / \text{H}_2\text{O}} \text{CH}_2\text{N}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Me} \xrightarrow{\text{O}} \text{SO}_3$$

Mechanism

$$Me \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} O & Me \\ S & N \end{pmatrix}} Me \xrightarrow{Me} Me \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} O & Me \\ O & N \end{pmatrix}} N_{\bigoplus}$$

$$Me - \left(\begin{array}{c} 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 \\ \vdots & 0 & N & 3 & H \\ 0 & 2 & N & C & H \end{array}\right) \longrightarrow Me - \left(\begin{array}{c} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & 0 & N & N & N \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & M \end{array}\right) \longrightarrow He - \left(\begin{array}{c} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & 0 & 0 & M & M \end{array}\right)$$

Example of using diazomethane to prepare methyl ester:1

Example of using diazomethane to prepare methyl ether:²

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 OH \sim CH₂N₂ \sim Ph \sim N \sim Me \sim N \sim Me \sim N \sim Me \sim N \sim Me \sim N \sim Me

¹ D. Vuong, R. J. Capon, E. Lacey, J. H. Gill, K. Heiland, T. Friedel, *Journal of Natural Products* **2001**, <u>64</u>, 640

² A. Leggio, A. Liguori, A. Napoli, C. Siciliano, G. Sindona, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2001**, 66, 2246

Diazomethane

$$\bigoplus_{\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{N}=\text{N}} \ominus \bigoplus_{\text{H}_2\text{C}-\text{N}\equiv\text{N}} \vdots$$
[334-88-3]

Preparation:

Major sources are the basic hydrolysis of *N*-methyl-*N*-nitrosourca (or *N*-methyl-*N*-nitroso-*p*-toluenesulfonamide (*Diazald*®) or 1-methyl-3-nitro-1-nitrosoguanidine (**MNNG**).

T. Sammakia, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1512

Notes:

Diazomethane is prepared immediately prior to using it. It is a powerful methylating agent, particularly useful for mild preparation of methyl esters of acids.

$$\bigoplus_{N_2-CH_2} \bigoplus_{HO-C-R} \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{N_2-CH_3} \bigoplus_{+O-C-R} \bigcap_{U} R-CO_2Me$$

Diazomethane is also useful for cyclopropanation reactions and for reaction with acid chlorides to produce diazo ketones. [See <u>Wolff Rearrangement</u>] It can be used to generate methyl ethers and N-methylations. Reaction with ketones can provide ring expansions.

$$\begin{array}{c}
CH_2N_2 \\
MeOH
\end{array}$$

$$7:3$$

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Y. Auberson, R. Mampuya Bimwala, P. Vogel, Tetrahedron Letters 1991, 32, 1637
 M. L. Di Gioia, A. Leggio, A. Le Pera, A. Liguori, A. Napoli, C. Siciliano, G. Sindona, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, 68, 7416

DIBAL (DIBAL-H, DIBAH)

Diisubutylaluminum hydride [1191-15-7]

Commercially available

P. Galatsis, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1908

Notes: A reducing agent. Alcohols are generated from aldehydes, ketones, esters and acid chlorides. Nitriles can be converted to aldehydes. Tosylates will be replaced by –H; halides are inert. Amides are reduced to amines. Reduction of lactones can provide a useful synthetic strategy:

Examples:

 $1.^{1}$

¹ A. K. Ghosh, C. Liu, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 635

² J. L. Vicario, A. Job, M. Wolberg, M. Muller, D. Enders, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 1023

³ G. Solladié, F. Colobert, F. Somny, Tetrahedron Letters 1999, 40, 1227

⁴ R. V. Stevens, L. E. Dupree, P. L. Lowenstein, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1972, 37, 977

Diimide

Preparation:

D. J. Pasto, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1892

Notes:

The reagent can be prepared in situ, by the copper-catalyzed oxidation of hydrazine. Hydrogen peroxide or oxygen are often the oxidants. The acid-catalyzed decomposition of potassium azodicarboylate provides a useful source of diimide:

$$\bigoplus_{K \text{ OOC}} \bigoplus_{K \text{ OOC}} \bigoplus_{H} \bigoplus_{H} \bigoplus_{N = NH}$$
as is the decomposition of sulfonylhydrazines:

This reduction finds unique application because:

1. The reagent is extremely tolerant of other functional groups.

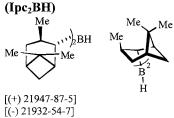
2. Reduction is cis, from the less-hindered face.

- 3. Reactivity decreases with increasing substitution about the alkene bond
- 4. Alkynes reduce faster than alkenes
- Alkenes with electron-withdrawing groups react faster than those with electron-donating groups.
- 6. Use of deuterium or tritium-labeled diimde affords a method of *cis* reduction without scrambling of label.

¹ M. H. Haukaas, G. A. O'Doherty, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 1771

² D. A. Frey, C. Duan, T. Hudlicky, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 2085

Diisopinocampheylborane



Preparation:



Either (+) or (-)

R. K. Dhar, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1914

Notes:

A useful reagent for asymmetric hydroboration. See Brown's Hydroboration Reaction.

Examples:

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¹ A. E. Greene, M.-J. Luche, A. A. Serra, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1985, <u>50</u>, 3957

² H. M. Hess, H. C. Brown, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1967, 32, 4138

³ E. M. Flamme, W. R. Roush, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 13644

Dimsylate

Preparation: The "dimsyl anion" is generated from dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) by use of base. The resulting lithio- or sodio- derivative is generally used in the DMSO solvent.

M. Harmata, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4596.

Notes: This is generally found as a base or nucleophile.

Generally used as M Dimsylate:

M= Na [15590-23-5]; K [15590-26-8]; Li [57741-62-5]

Harmata suggests that the use of Kt-BuO/DMSO as a basic mixture most likely involves t-BuO as the actual base. This is seen in Example 2, where addition of Crown ether doesn't influence the already high degree of dissociation for the active base, t-BuO.

¹ W.-C. Cheng, C.-C. Lin, M. J. Kurth, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 2967

² R. D. Bach, J. W. Knight, Tetrahedron Letters 1979, <u>20</u>, 3815

DMAP

Me . Me 4-(Dimethylamino)pyridine

[1122-58-3]

[82942-26-5] Polymer-bound

Commercially available

A. Hassner, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 2022

Notes: A basic catalyst for amine and alcohol acylations, (particularly useful for hindered alcohols), macrocyclization, and for Steglich esterification. DMAP/PCC provides a useful oxidation protocol.1 **Examples:** $1.^2$ Ac2O, Et3N, DMAP Me THF Me 78% Me Йe Me Me Ac₂O AcO $2^{.3}$ OMe OH Ome 2. DMAP 3.4 Me **OTIPS** DCC, DMAP OTIPS Me toluene 40% `Cbz

F. S. Guziec, Jr., Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 2024

² D. Bonafoux, I. Ojima, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2333

³ P. G. M. Wuts, S. W. Ashford, A. M. Anderson, J. R. Atkins, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1483

⁴ B. Liang, D. J. Richard, P. S. Portonovo, M. M. Joullié, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 4469

DMPU

[7226-23-5]

Commercially available

A. K. Beck, D. Seebach, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 2123

Notes:

A co-solvent with properties and reaction enhancements similar to HMPA. It is a dipolar aprotic solvent, miscible in water and most organic solvents. Can be cooled to dry ice temperature.

¹ T. Mukhopadhyay, D. Seebach, Helvetica Chemica Acta, 1982, 65, 385; Reported by A. K. Beck, D. Seebach, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 2123

² S. Poulain, N. Nairet, H. Patin, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 7703

³ S. D. Rychnovsky, S.S. Swenson, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, <u>62</u>, 1333

⁴ C. Boss, R. Keese, Tetrahedron 1997, <u>53</u>, 3111

DMSO

Dimethylsulfoxide [67-68-5]

Commercially available

A. P. Krapcho, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 2141

Notes: A polar, aprotic solvent; miscible in water and many organic solvents. Efficiently solvates cations. Can greatly enhance the rates of nucleophilic displacement reactions.

Will reduce the order of reactivity for the halide ions

Protic Solvents

DMSO

I > Br > Cl > F

F > CI > Br > I

A number of alcohol oxidations are based on the general scheme: See DMSO based Oxidations under Aldehyde Syntheses

See: Dimsyl group

Methylsulfinylmethide

Preparation The "dimsyl anion" is generated from dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) by use of base. The resulting lithio- or sodio- derivative is generally used in the DMSO solvent.

Sodium dimsylate (M. Harmata, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4596.) is often used to initiate Wittig reactions.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & Cl & Cl & \\ Ph_3P & & & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & Ph_3 & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & NaDMSO & \\ \hline DMSO, O_2 & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

See use in the Krapcho Dealkoxycarbonylation reaction.

¹ J. A. Deyrup, M. F. Betkouski, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1975, 40, 284

Dppe (DIPHOS)

1,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane [1663-45-2]

Commercially available

G. T. Whiteker, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 515

Notes: Ligand. Used for Pd-catalyzed nucleophilic reactions at allylic positions. See also, <u>Dppp</u>. With Br_2 forms a useful brominating agent, **1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane tetrabromide** [7726-95-6]. This reagent is useful for the conversion:

Examples:

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$$OTHP$$
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¹ Reported by L. A. Paquette, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 517

² J.-C. Fiaud, J.-L. Malleron, Chemical Communications 1981, 1159

³ C. M. Rayner, P. C. Astles, L. A. Paquette, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1992, <u>114</u>, 3925

⁴ Y.-C. Huang, K. K. Majumdar, C.-H. Cheng, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, <u>67</u>, 1682

Dppp

I,2-Bis(diphenylphosphino)propane [6737-42-4]

Commercially available

G. T. Whiteker, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 521

Notes:

Ligand. Used for Pd-catalyzed reactions of aryl and vinyl halides and triflates. Also for <u>Kumuda coupling</u> reactions. See <u>Dppe</u> for a similar reagent.

Examples:

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$$\begin{array}{c} \text{BuMgBr} \\ \text{NiCl}_2(\text{dppp}) \\ \hline \\ \text{Cl} \end{array} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} \text{Bu} \\ \text{NiCl}_2(\text{dppp}) \\ \hline \\ \text{Bu} \\ \end{array}} \begin{array}{c} \text{Bu} \\ \text{Bu} \\ \\ \text{Bu} \end{array}$$

 $3.^{3}$

Coome
$$\frac{\text{Ni(dppp)}_2\text{Br}_2 \text{ Zn}}{\text{CH}_2\text{OH}}$$

Coome $\frac{\text{Ni(dppp)}_2\text{Br}_2 \text{ Zn}}{\text{MeCN}}$
 $\frac{\text{MeCN}}{87\%}$

¹ T.-M. Yuan, T.-Y. Luh, Organic Syntheses CV 9, 649

² M. Kumada, K. Tamao, K. Sumitani, Organic Syntheses CV 6, 407

³ D. K. Rayabarapu, C.-H. Cheng, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 5630

⁴ S. Wagaw, S. L. Buchwald, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 7240

Eaton's Reagent

P₂O₅ / MeSO₃H

[39394-84-8]

Preparation: Add MeSO₃H to P₂O₅, (10:1, m/m) stir until P₂O₅ is dissolved. **Commercially available**

L. A. Dixon, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4129

Notes: A useful alternative to PPA (Polyphosphoric acid)

Examples:

1.1

$$\begin{array}{c|c} Ph & P_2O_5 \text{, MeSO}_3H \\ \hline HO \searrow N & 94\% & HN \end{array}$$

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 $3.^{3}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{Me} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \text{OH} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{P}_2\text{O}_5 \text{ , MeSO}_3\text{H} \\ \text{no yield given} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{O} \\ \text{Me} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \text{9\%} \end{array}$$

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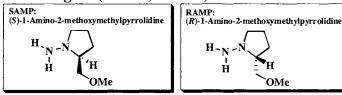
¹ P. W. Jeffs, G. Molina, N. A. Cortese, P. R. Hauck, J. Wolfram, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1982, 47, 3876

² X.-J. Hao, M. Node, K. Fuji, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transaction I 1992, 1505

³ F. E. Ziegler, J.-M. Fang, C. C. Tam, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1982, 104, 7174

⁴ P. E. Eaton, G. R. Carlson, J. T. Lee, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1973, 38, 4071

Ender's Reagent (SAMP, RAMP)



[59983-39-0]

Commercially available

D. Enders, M. Klatt, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 178

OMe

Notes: Chiral directing group for alkylation of carbonyl

Examples:

¹ A. B. Smith, III, H. Ishiyama, Y. S. Cho, K. Ohmoto, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3967

² A. Toro, P. Nowak, P. Deslongchamps, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000 122, 4526

Eschenmoser's Salt

Mé Dimethyl(methylene)ammonium iodide [33627-00-6]

The chloride salt is known as Böhme's salt

Commercially available

E. F. Kleinman, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 2090

Notes: Useful reagents for *Mannich reactions* with active methylene compounds. Particularly useful for the preparation of exo methylene groups.

Z O 1. Base Z O Me 1. Me-I Z O
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. Me $\frac{1}{2}$. Me

Also for the conversion:

$$N-H$$
 \longrightarrow $N=CH_2$

Examples:

$$0 \xrightarrow{\text{Me}} \frac{\text{Me}}{\text{Me}} = 10 \xrightarrow{\text{Me}} 10 \xrightarrow{\text{Me}}$$

¹ F. Bohlmann, H. Suding, *Liebigs Annalen der Chemie* **1985**, 1, 160 (AN 1985:166963)

² T. Rosenau, A. Potthast, P. Kosma, C.-L. Chen, J. S. Gratzl, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1999, <u>64</u>, 2166 ³ C.-K. Sha, A-W. Hong, C.-M. Huang, *Organic Letters* **2001**, <u>3</u>, 2177

Fetizon's Reagent

Ag₂CO₃ / Celite [534-16-7] / [61790-53-2]

Commercially available

M. Fetizon, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4448

Notes:

Celite TM is a commercially available inorganic material; mostly SiO₂. Generally finds use as a filtering aid.

This is a mild oxidizing agent for conversion of primary alcohols to aldehydes and secondary alcohols to ketones.

Examples:

1. One of the earliest reports of using silver as an oxidizing agent:

¹ H. Rapoport, H. N. Reist, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1955, 77, 490

² R. L. Funk, G. L. Bolton, J. U. Daggett, M. M. Hansen, L. H. M. Horcher, *Tetrahedron* 1985, <u>41</u>, 3479

³ Y. R. Lee, J. Y. Suk, B. S. Kim, Organic Letters **2000**, <u>2</u>, 1387

⁴ D. P. Walker, P. A. Grieco, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1999, 121, 9891

Fmoc-Cl

9-Fluorenylmethyl chloroformate [28920-43-6]

Commercially Available.

R. L. Polt, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 4, 2545

Notes:

A useful protecting group for nitrogen.

Examples:

 $2.^{2}$

HCTU =
$$N_N \rightarrow PF_6$$
 [490019-20-0] a strong condensing agent $N_N \rightarrow N_1$ $N_1 \rightarrow N_2$ $N_1 \rightarrow N_2$ $N_1 \rightarrow N_2$

¹ A. G. Myers, B. Zhong, D. W. Kung, M. Movassaghi, B. A. Lanman, S. Kwon, Organic Letters **2000**, 2, 3337

² A. Ortiz-Acevedo, G. R. Dieckmann, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2004**, <u>45</u>, 6795

Furukawa's Cyclopropanation reagent¹

I-CH₂ZnEt

Preparation:

 $Et_2Zn + I-CH_2-I$

P. Knochel, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1861

Notes:

Cyclopropanation reagent. A similar reagent, prepared from EtZnI + CH₂I₂, [I-CH2-Zn-Et] [33598-72-0] is known as the *Sawada Reagent*. [P. Knochel, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 4 2473] Advantage over *Simmons-Smith* is the homogeneity of the reaction; and the high yields with enol ethers. (Not true for *Sawada Reagent*.)

Examples:

1.2 OTMS
$$Et_2Zn + CH_2I_2$$
 79% $Et_2Zn + CH_2I_2$ O

¹ J. Furukawa, N. Kawabata, J. Nishimura, Tetrahedron Letters 1968, 9, 3495

² A. J. Blake, A. J. Highton, T. N. Majid, N. S. Simpkins, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 1787

³ D. A. Evans, J. D. Burch, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 503

⁴ R. Hilgenkamp, C. K. Zercher, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3037

Furukawa's reagent

[124-63-0, 1122-58-3]

Preparation: Stir the alcohol with MsCl, <u>DMAP</u>, H₂O, and CH₂Cl₂ at rt.

V. Vaillancourt, M. M. Cudahy, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3311

Notes:

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Dehydrating agent

Examples:

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¹ D. L. Comins, C. A. Brooks, R. S. Al-war, R. R. Goehring, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 229

² A. Nakazato, T. Kumagai, T. Okubo, H. Tanaka, S. Chaki, S. Okuyama, K. Tomisawa, *Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry* **2000**, 8 1183

Garner's Aldehyde

3-(tert-butoxycarbonyl)-2,2-dimethyl-4-formyloxazolidin [102308-32-7]

Preparation

$$NH_2$$
 NH_2
 NH_2

Notes: An extremely useful chiral reagent.

Examples:

³ J. S. Oh, B. H. Kim, Y. G. Kim, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 3925

¹ N. Okamoto, O. Hara, K. Makino, Y. Hamada, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 9210

² A. Dondoni, G. Mariotti, A. Marra, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, <u>67</u>, 4475

Grubb's Reagent

Commercially Available

Nolan's Catalyst

Notes:

The labs of R.M. Grubbs has prepared and examined a number of catalysts along the general structure shown above. See *RCM Reaction* for additional examples. These catalysts continue to evolve, but bear the same general characteristics. The catalysts are generally tolerant to an array of other functional groups. The catalysts are generally more stable than the *Schrock catalysts*. Examples include:

Hoveyda-Grubbs Catalyst

Grundmann's Ketone

Windaus-Grundmann Ketone

[66251-18-1]

(1R,7aR)-7a-methyl-1-((R)-6-methylheptan-2-yl)-octahydroinden-4-one

Examples:

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W. H. Okamura, G.-D. Zhu, D. K. Hill, R. J. Thomas, K. Ringe, D. B. Borchard, A. W. Norman, L.

J. Mueller Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 1637 ² E. M. Codesido, L. Castedo, J. R. Granja, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 1483

HMPA, HMPT

Commercially available.

R. R. Dykstra, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 4, 2668

Notes: A powerful Lewis base able to form strong cation complexes. This attribute is often associated with greatly increased reactivities when used in solvent. This is particularly true when used with organolithium reagents. Soluble in most solvents.

Examples:

¹ S. SanKaranarayanan, A. Sharma, S. Chattopadhyay, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1996, 7, 2639

² E. J. Enholm, P. E. Whitley, Y. Xie, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 5384

³ J. R. Al Dulayymi, M. S. Baird, M. J. Simpson, G. R. Port, *Tetrahedron* 1996, <u>52</u>, 12509

HMTA



Hexamethylenetetramine [100-97-0]

Commercially Available

S. N. Kilényi, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 4, 2666

Notes: HMTA finds use for:

Oxidation of benzylic halides (See: Sommelet Reaction)

$$Ar-CH_2-X + \bigvee_{N=1}^{N} \bigvee_{N=1}^{N} \bigvee_{N=1}^{N} Ar-CHO$$

Ammonolysis of alkyl halides (See: Delépine Reaction)

Electrophilic formylation of aromatics (See: **Duff Reaction**)

Provides imidazoles from 1,2-diketones

Hünig's Base, DIPEA, DIEA

Diisopropylethylamine [7087-68-5]

Commercially available

K. L. Sorgi, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L.A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1955, 3, 1933

Notes: Because of the severe steric constraints of this amine, it serves well as a proton scavenger and is quite resistant to quaternization.

Examples:

PMBM-Cl = p-methoxybenzylchloromethyl ether 2.²

A. P. Kozikowski, J.-P. Wu, Tetrahedron Letters 1987, 28 5125

² S. Gastaldi, S. M. Weinreb, D. Stien, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 3239

³ S. Boisnard, A.-C. Carbonnelle, J. Zhu, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2061

Hydroboration Reagents¹

See Brown's Hydroboration Reaction

Diborane

Easily prepared in laboratory quantities by reaction of NaBH₄ and BF₃ in THF <u>under dry, inert</u> atmosphere.

$$H_{H}^{H}$$
 B_{H}^{H} B_{H}^{H} \longrightarrow 2 $H-B_{H}^{H}$

In the absence of stabilization boron, borane tends to maintain the dimeric form.

See BMS

Alkyl Derivatives:

Disiamylborane

Prepared by addition of 2-methyl-2-butene to diborane

A hindered borane providing increased reaction selectivity:

6 94 Borane

Thexylborane

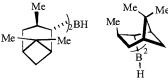
A hindered borane particularly useful for reaction with dienes:

¹ H. C. Brown, *Boranes in Organic Chemistry*, Cornell University Press, Ithaca, 1972. This is a dated but extremely interesting perspective written by the major driving force in the development of the extremely useful chemistry of boron.

A useful borane derivative



<u>Diisopinocampheylborane (Ipc₂BH)</u> A chiral hydroborating agent



See also: Catecholborane

Hydrogenation Catalysts

Ni

Ni₂B

Nickel Boride

[12007-01-1]

T. J. Caggiano, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3694

Ni Catalysts

[7440-02-0]

C. R. Sarko, M. DiMare, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3701

Raney Nickel

Pd

Pt/BaSO₄

Rosenmund Catalyst

<u>Pd/CaCO₃ / Pb-poisoned</u> <u>Lindlar Catalyst</u>

Pd/C

[7440-05-3]

A. O. King, I. Shinka, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3867

Pd/Gr (graphite)

[59873-73-3]

E. M. Leahy, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3887

Pd(OH)2

Pearlman's Catalyst

Pt

Pt/Al₂O₃

[7440-06-4]

A. O. King, I. Shinka, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4159

Pt/C

Heyn's Catalyst [7440-06-4]

A. O. King, I. Shinka, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4160

<u>**PtO**</u>₂

Adam's Catalyst

Rh

Rh/Al₂O₃

[7440-16-6]

S. Siegel, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4405

Rh(PPh₃)₃Cl

Wilkinson's Catalyst

Ru

Ru Catalysts

S. Siegel, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4410

Jacques Reagent

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
& Me & \ominus \\
& N-Me & Br_3 \\
& Me
\end{array}$$

Phenyltrimethylammonium perbromide

PTT, PTAB [4207-56-1]

Preparation:

N. DeKimpe, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4098

Notes: A brominating agent

Examples:

 $1.^{1}$

$$3.^{3}$$

¹ S. Lee, P. L. Fuchs, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 317

² S. K. Burt, A. Padwa, *Organic Letters* **2002**, <u>4</u>, 4135

³ Y. Higuchi, F. Shimoma, M. Ando, Journal of Natural Products 2003, <u>66</u>, 810

Jones Reagent

Preparation: CrO₃ + water, then <u>carefully</u> sulfuric acid or CrO₃ + sulfuric acid, then diluted with water to a specific volume. CAUTION: READ DIRECTIONS FOR PREPARATION

F. Freeman, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1261

Notes: A useful reagent in that one can titrate the oxidation. Primary alcohols are converted to acids; secondary alcohols to ketones; alkenes and alkynes are resistant. Related reagents:

Cornforth Reagent Fieser's Reagent Pyridine / Chromic acid Acetic Acid / Chromic Acid **Examples:** 1.1 HOH₂C HOOG

No yield provided; product taken directly to a diazomethane esterification. Overall yield OK.

R
$$\rightarrow$$
 R \rightarrow OsO₄ (cat) \rightarrow OsO₈ \rightarrow \rightarrow OsO₉ \rightarrow OsO₈ \rightarrow OsO₈ \rightarrow OsO₉ \rightarrow

¹ J.-H. Tai, M.-Y. Chang, A.-Y. Lee, N.-C. Chang, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 659

² J. R. Henry, S. M. Weinreb, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1993, <u>58</u>, 4145

³ A. K. Sharma, P. J. Hergenrother, Organic Letters 2003, <u>5</u>, 2107

⁴ J. Meinwald, J. Crandall, W. E. Hymans, Organic Syntheses CV5, 866

KHMDS

KN(SiMe₃)₂

Potassium hexamethyldisilazide, potassium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide [40949-94-8]

Commercially available

Can be prepared from hexamethyldisilane and potassium hydride:

B. T. Watson, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4234

Notes:

A strong, sterically demanding, base useful for preparation of kinetic enolates. Soluble in THF, ether and toluene.

Examples:

1.1

95% trans ring juncture

LHMDS

Preparation:

M. Gray, V. Snieckus, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L.A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3127

Notes: For preparation of kinetic enolates.

¹ (a) G. Stork, J. O. Gardner, R. K. Boeckman, Jr., K. A. Parker, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1973**, <u>95</u>, 2014 (b) G. Stork, R. K. Boeckman, Jr. *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1973**, <u>95</u>, 2016

Koser's Reagent

Commercially available

G. F. Koser, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 4, 2782

Examples:

1.
$$C_{H_3}$$
 C_{H_3}
 C_{OTs}
 C_{OTs}
 C_{OTs}

4.
4
OTMS
 CF_{3} -CH₂-I-OH
OTS
 58%
OTMS

A fluoro analog of the Koser's reagent.

¹ T. Nabana, H. Togo, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, 67, 4362

² A. Kirschning, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1995, <u>60</u>, 1228

³ P. Bovonsombat, E. Djuardi, E. McNelis, *Tetrahedron Letters* **1994**, <u>35</u>, 2841

⁴ V. V. Zhdankin, C.J. Kuehl, A. J. Simonsen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 8272

Kulinkovich Reagent

Bis(2-propanolato)[(1,2-h)-1-propene]titanium [169123-69-7]

Preparation:

A. J. Phillips, e-Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, L.A. Paquette, Ed., John Wiley & Sons, Inc., online reference available at http://www.interscience.wiley.com.

Notes: A reagent that allows for a unique preparation of cyclopropanol derivatives.

Examples:

1. 1 HO
COOMe BuMgBr
Ti(O-iPr)₄
46 - 54%

2.²

$$Ph \underbrace{\hspace{1cm} Me \hspace{1cm} Br \\ + Mg \\ CITi(OiPrO) \\ 83\%} HO \underbrace{\hspace{1cm} H}_{Me}$$

¹ J. Lee, H. Kim, J. K. Cha, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1995, 117, 9919

² E. J. Corey, S. A. Rao, M. C. Noe, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1994, 116, 9345

³ J. Lee, H. Kim, J. K. Cha, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1996, 118, 4198

L-Selectride®

LiBH(s-Bu)3

Lithium Tri-s-butylborohydride [38721-52-7]

Commercially available

J. L. Hubbard, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3172

Notes: Selective reducing agent. The potassium and sodium Selectrides are also available. Will convert C-X to C-H, with I>Br>Cl.

Examples:

1. L-Selectride, THF

OME

1. L-Selectride, THF

OME

$$Et_2NH$$

MeOOC

OTBDMS

 t_1
 t_2
 t_3
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 t_7
 t_8
 t_8

3.3

Me Me

L-Selectride

THF

$$O_2S - N(iPr)_2$$
 $O_2S - N(iPr)_2$

O2S $O_2S - N(iPr)_2$

¹ E. Piers, M. A. Romero, Tetrahedron 1993, 49, 5791

² J. Nokami, M. Ohkura, Y. Dan-Oh, Y. Sakamoto, Tetrahedron Letters 1991, 32, 2409

³ W. Oppolzer, C. Chapuis, G. Bernardinelli, Tetrahedron Letters 1984, 25, 5885

Lawesson's Reagent

2,4-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3-dithia-2,4-diphosphetane-2,4-disulfide [19172-47-5]

Commercially available

Preparation:

 $\begin{array}{c}
OMe \\
\hline
 & P_4S_{10} \\
\hline
 & benzene
\end{array}$ MeO $\begin{array}{c}
S_1 \\
S_2
\end{array}$ P

OM

J. Voss, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 530

Notes: A combination of phosphorus pentasulfide and hexamethyldisiloxane can be used to prepare thionoesters and thionolactones in comparable yields and with a simplified workup. A solvent-free conversion of ketones, lactones, esters and amides, to the corresponding thio analogs with *Lawesson's Reagent*.

See also: Belleau's and Davy's Reagents.

$$MeO \longrightarrow S_{N} S_{N} S_{N} \longrightarrow OMe \longrightarrow MeO \longrightarrow S_{N} S_{N} S_{N}$$

$$MeO \longrightarrow S_{N} S_{N} S_{N} \longrightarrow S_{N} \longrightarrow$$

Examples:

¹ T. J. Curphey, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 371

² R. S. Varma, D. Kumar, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 697

³ V. M. Sonpatki, M. R. Herbert, L. M. Sandvoss, A. J. Seed, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2001**, 66, 7283

⁴ A. Padwa, M. D. Danca, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 715

LDA

Commercially available

Preparation:

W. I. Iwema Bakker, P. L. Wong & V. Snieckus, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3096

Notes: An extremely common and widely used base. Often used to remove an acidic proton leading to a "kinetic enolate". When carried out with TMS-Cl, the process allows for the isolation of a kinetic silyl enol ether.

Trapping the kinetic enolate of a methyl ketone with diethyl phosphochloridate provides an enol phosphate, that can, in turn, be converted to an alkyne:

The reagent is extremely useful for the preparation of cross-conjugated enolates of α,β -unsaturated systems:

Example:1

¹ N. Plé, A. Turck, P. Martin, S. Barbey, G. Quéguiner, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1993, 34, 1605

Lemieux-Johnson Reagent

NaIO₄-OsO₄

[7790-28-5, 20816-12-0]

Preparation:

A. G. Wee, B. Liu, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4616

Examples:

1.1

Taken directly to the next step

¹ F. A. Luzzio, A. V. Mayrov, W. D. Figg, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 2275

² S. Takahashi, A. Kubota, T. Nakata, Organic Letters 2003, <u>5</u>, 1353

³ D. Zuev, L. A. Paquette, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 679

Lemieux-von Rudloff Reagent

NaIO₄ / KMnO₄

[7790-28-5, 7722-64-7]

Preparation:

An aqueous solution (often with a miscible organic cosolvent) of NaIO₄ and KMnO₄ with strong stirring.

A. G. Wee, B. Liu, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4620

Notes:

Since KMnO₄ is a strong oxidizing agent, one expects the following reaction generalization:

Examples:

1.1

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ N & & \\$$

2.
2

Me

Acetone, H_2O

NaIO₄, KMnO₄

CH₂OH

CO₂H

Me

Me

¹A. A. Liebman, B. P. Mundy, H. Rapoport, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1967**, <u>89</u>, 664

² C. G. Overberger, H. Kayel, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1967**, <u>89</u>, 5640

Lindlar's Catalyst Pd / CaCO₃ / PbO

[7440-05-3], [471-34-1], [1317-36-8]

Preparation:

A. O. King, I. Shinkai, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3866

Notes: Major use is the cis reduction of an alkyne to an alkene.

Examples: 1.¹ Pd / CaCO₃ /Pb H_2 66% CH₂OH $2.^{2}$ H_2 Lindlar catalyst 96% Me Me $3.^{3}$ H_2 Lindlar catalyst Me СНО CH₂ CHO 92% 4.4 Br H_2 Lindlar catalyst THF / MeOH 90%

¹ A. Tai, F. Matsumura, H. C. Coppel, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1969, 34, 2180

² A. Fulrstner, T. Dierkes, *Organic Letters* **2000**, <u>2</u>, 2463 Quinoline was added to the reduction mixture

³ T. Itoh, N. Yamazaki, C. Kibayashi, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2469

⁴ T. Lindel, M. Hochgörtel, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2000, 65, 2806

Lombardo Reagent CH₂Br₂, TiCl₄, Zn

Preparation:

CH₂Br₂, THF

Zn dust

slowly add TiCl₄

N. A. Petasis, J. P. Staszewshi, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **3**, 1565

Notes: Original report: L. Lombardo, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1982, <u>23</u>, 4293 Sometimes called the *Oshima-Lombardo Reagent*.

Examples:

1.1

 $2.^{2}$

4.4

¹ M. Furber, L. N. Mander, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1988, 110, 4084

² H. Huang, C. J. Forsyth, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1995, <u>60</u>, 5746

³ L. Plamondon, J. D. Wuest, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1991, <u>56</u>, 2066

⁴ P. Magnus, B. Mugrage, M. DeLuca, G. A. Cain, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1989, 111, 786

LTMP (LiTMP)

Lithium 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidide [38227-87-1]

Preparation:

M. Campbell, V. Snieckus, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3166

Notes: Hindered base with low nucleophilicity. Is stable with TMS-Cl; thus reactions can be carried out under equilibrium-controlled conditions, where substrate, TMS-Cl and *LTMP* are present at the same time.

See also: <u>LDA</u>, <u>NHMDS</u>, <u>KHMDS</u>, <u>LHMDS</u> for other strong bases

As a generalization,

$$R \xrightarrow{O \ominus} \begin{array}{c} \text{LiHMDS} \\ \end{array} \qquad R \xrightarrow{Q \ominus} \begin{array}{c} \text{LTMP} \\ \end{array} \qquad R \xrightarrow{Q \ominus} \begin{array}{c} \text{R} \xrightarrow{Q \ominus} \\ \end{array}$$

Examples:

1. 1

Me

OTES

OTES

1. LTMP, HMPA

OME

Ph

OTES

2. Ph-Se-Cl

40%

Reaction failed with LDA

$$2.^{2}$$

¹ A. B. Smith, III, R. E. Richmond, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1981, 46, 4814

² C. S. Shiner, A. H. Berks, A. M. Fisher, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1988, 110, 957

Luche Reagent¹ NaBH₄ + CeCl₃ [1191-15-7]

Preparation: Equal amounts of NaBH4 and CeCl3 (7 H2O) in methanol

L. A. Paquette, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1031

Notes: Specifically reduces enones to allylic alcohols via 1,2-addition. Sometimes stereochemistry is different from NaBH₄ alone.

Examples:

1.2

¹ J.-L. Luche, A. L. Gemal, Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications 1978, 976

² D. L. J. Clive, S. Sun, V. Gagliardini, M. K. Sano, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2000**, <u>41</u>, 6259

³ F. J. Moreno-Dorado, F. M. Guerra, F. J. Aladro, J. M. Bustamanta, Z. D. Jorge, G. M. Massanet, *Tetrahedron* 1999, <u>55</u>, 6997

⁴ C.-K. Sha, A.-W. Hong, C.-M. Huang, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2177

⁵ K. Takao, G. Watanabe, Y. Yasui, K. Tadano, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 2941

MAD

Methylaluminum bis(2,6-di-*t*-butyl-4-methylphenoxide) [65260-44-8]

Preparation: Prepared by reaction of trimethylaluminum with 2 equiv of 2,6-di-*t*-butyl-4-methylphenol in toluene or CH₂Cl₂.

K. Maruoka, H. Yamamoto, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3415

Notes: For a similar reagent, see **DAD** (Dimethylaluminum 2,6-Di-*t*-butyl-4-methylphenoxide) [86803-85-2]

MAD is a bulky Lewis acid used to complex with functional groups to provide a steric discrimination to a number of organic transformations.

Examples:

1.2 **Selectivity in carbonyl reaction**. Here we see that sterically less-hindered ketones are preferentially complexed, leaving the more-hindered ketone to react.

Ratio of Reduction 16 with 2 equiv. of MAD

2. Increased carbonyl discrimination:

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¹ K. Maruoka, T. Itoh, M. Sakurai, K. Nonoshita, H. Yamamoto, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1988**, <u>110</u>, 3588. This article provides a wealth of tabulated data for a number of cyclic systems.

² K. Maruoka, Y. Araki, H. Yamamoto, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1988, 110, 2650

2. 1 Oxygen Complexation. Here we see that sterically less-hindered ethers are preferentially complexed.

Lewis Acid Rel. Complexation

 BF_3 etherate NONE $SnCl_4$ 2 : MAD 99 :

3.²

A reagent has been developed that will preferentially complex with aldehydes, so that a ketone can be reacted in the presence of an aldehyde.

¹ S. Sato, H. Yamamoto, Journal of the Chemical Society, Chemical Communications 1997, 1585

² K. Maruoka, Y. Araki, H. Yamamoto, Tetrahedron Letters 1988, 29, 3101

Magic Methyl and Related Reagents

Commercially available

R.W. Alder, J.G.E. Phillips, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3617

Notes:

Both reagents are powerful methylating agents, reacting with O, N, and S. Read precautions carefully. The *Methyl fluorosulfonate (Magic Methyl)* is no longer commercially available. Methyl triflate is extremely (sometimes violently) reactive towards amines. Except for extremely hindered or unactivated amines, not generally required for the task.

Nu:

$$R-CN$$
 $MeO-Tf$
 $R-C\equiv N-Me$

Nitrilium salt

Hydride reduction

 $R-CH_2-NH_2$
 R

hydrolysis

Examples:

1.1

¹ B.-C. Chen, A. P. Skoumbourdis, J. E. Sundeen, G. C. Rovnyak, S. C. Traeger, *Organic Process Research & Development* **2000**, **4**, 613

² T. Imamoto, S. Kikuchi, T. Miura, Y. Wada, Organic Letters, 2001, 3, 87

Mander's Reagent

NC-COOMe

[17640-15-2]

Commercially available.

L. N. Mander, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3466

Notes: Used for the α -carbomethoxylation of carbonyl compounds.

Examples:

1.1

81-84% overall yield

¹ I. Efremov, L. A. Paquette, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 9324

² C. Chen, M.E. Layton, S. M. Sheehan, M. D. Shair, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2000**, 122, 7424.

³ J. D. Winkler, M. B. Rouse, M. F. Greaney, S. J. Harrison, Y. T. Jeon, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2002**, 124, 9726

⁴ S. R. Crabtree, L. N. Mander, S. P. Sethi, Organic Syntheses CV9, 619

Markiewicz Reagent

Commercially available

J. Slade, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1730.

Notes: A useful protecting group; primary alcohols react about 10³ faster than secondary alcohols.

Examples:

¹ S.C. Holmes, A.A. Arzumanov, M.J. Gait, *Nucleic Acid Research* 2003, 31, 2759.

Martin sulfurane

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[32133-82-7]

Diphenylbis(1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-phenyl-2-propoxy)sulfurane

Commercially available

B. A. Rodin, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 4, 2201

Notes:

Dehydrating agent; tertiary alcohols react instantly. Primary alcohols are often unreactive. Pinacols are often converted to epoxidea:

OH
$$\begin{array}{c}
OH \\
O \\
F_3C
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
Ph - S - Ph \\
F_3C
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
Ph - S - Ph \\
F_3C
\end{array}$$

Examples:

¹ F. Yokokawa, T. Shioiri, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 8673

² M. Majewski, V. Snieckus, Tetrahedron Letters 1982, 23, 1343

Matteson's Reagent

TMS
$$Me$$
 Me Me Me Me Me Pinacol E -1-trimethylsilyl-1-propene-3-boronate [126688-99-1]

Preparation: D. J. S. Tsai, D. S. Matteson, Tetrahedron Letters 1981, 22, 2751

Examples:

2.2
TMS
$$\begin{array}{c}
B & O \\
Me \\
Me
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
Me \\
Me
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
H \\
OH \\
CO_2Me
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
Et_2O \\
86\%
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
OH \\
TMS
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
CO_2Me
\end{array}$$

This sequence does not use the Matteson boronate intermediate; however, was referenced as the method for the conversion.

¹ B. P. Hoag, D. L. Gin, Macromolecules 2000, <u>33</u>, 8549

² D. A. Smith, K. N. Houk, *Tetrahedron Letters* **1991**, <u>32</u>, 1549

³ S. S. Harried, C. P. Lee, G. Yang, T. I. H. Lee, D. C. Myles, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2003**, <u>68</u>, 6646

McMurry's Reagent¹ TiCl₄ / reducing agent

Preparation: Essentially this reaction involves the preparation of a low-valent titanium reagent that then couples carbonyl groups, including esters to aldehydes/ketones. Generally, TiCl₄ is reduced with some reducing agent (LiAlH₄, Zn, Mg).

Notes: See McMurry Olefination.

Examples:

Bu

¹ J. E. McMurry, T. Lectka, J. G. Rico, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 3748

² J. E. McMurry, G. J. Haley, J. R. Matz, J. C. Clardy, J. Mitchell, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1986, 108, 515

³ A. Fürstner, O. R. Thiel, N. Kindler, B. Bartkowska, Journal of Organic Chemisty 2000, 65, 7990

⁴ J. Nakayama, H. Machida, R. Satio, M. Hoshino, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1985, <u>26</u>, 1983

⁵ F. B. Mallory, K. E. Butler, A. Bérubé, E. D. Luzik, Jr., C. W. Mallory, E. J. Brondyke, R. Hiremath, P. Ngo, P. Carroll, *Tetrahedron* **2001**, *57*, 3715

Meldrum's Lactone

2,2-Dimethyl-1,3-dioxane-4,6-dione [2033-24-1]

Commercially available

O. Yonemitsu, K. Hirao, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 2056

Notes:

Useful for the general preparation of β -keto esters 1

Examples:

1. 2

¹ Y. Oikawa, K. Sugano, O. Yonemitsu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1978, 43, 2087

² B. Hin, P. Majer, T. Tsukamoto, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2002, <u>67</u>, 7365

³ R. Bruns, A. Wernicke, P. Köll, Tetrahedron 1999, <u>55</u>, 9793

MEMCI

$$MeO$$
 O Cl

Source of the 2-methoxyethylmethyl (MEM) group

2-Methoxyethoxymethyl chloride [3970-21-6]

Commercially available

P. G. M. Wuts, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3351

Notes: This alcohol protecting is easily attached and readily removed by Lewis acids such as zinc bromide and titanium tetrachloride. Phenols can be protected (reaction of the sodium salt with MEMCl) and deprotected with TFA. More easily removed than the MOM group.

Examples:

1. Example of a removal of an enol-MEM group

An analysis of how product ratios depended on the stereochemistry in the starting material.

¹ G. A. DeBoos, J. J. Fullbrook, J. M. Percy, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2859

² J. R. Donaubauer, T.C. McMorris, *Tetrahedron Letters* **1980**, <u>21</u>, 2771

³ T. A. Blumenkopf, G. C. Look, L. E. Overman *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, **1990**, 112, 4399

Meyer's Reagent

Commercially available

Preparation: Ritter reaction

$$Me^{-C}$$
, HO
 Me
 HO
 Me
 H_2SO_4
 Me
 Me
 Me
 Me
 Me
 Me

T. D. Nelson, A.I. Meyers, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 888

Notes: Useful reagent for the preparation of aldehydes and ketones

Meyer's Reagent

Tetrahydro-3-isopropyl-7a-methylpyrrolol[2,1-b]-5(6*H*)-one (3*S*,*cis*) [98203-44-2]; (3*R*,*cis*) [123808-97-9]

Commercially available

T. D. Nelson, A.I. Meyers, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4756

Notes:

Nafion-H

Reagent

Nafion-H [63937-00-8]

Commercially available

Y. El-Kattan, J. McAtee, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **6**, 3677

Notes:

An extremely useful acid catalyst with the acidity of concentrated sulfuric acid. Has been proposed as a replacement for mineral acids in the instructional organic laboratory for dehydration and esterification reactions.¹

Examples:

 $1.^{2}$

The resin could be reused; after 10 cycles almost no loss in yield.

3.4

$$t$$
-Bu

Nafion H

 t -Bu

Nafion H

 t -Bu

 t -Bu

 t -Bu

 t -Bu

 t -Bu

¹ M. P. Doyle, B. F. Plummer, Journal of Chemical Education 1993, 70, 493

² Y. Usui, K. Sato, M. Tanaka, Angewandte Chemie International Edition in English 2003, 42, 5623

³ B. D. Brandes, E. N. Jacobsen, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1994, 59, 4378

⁴ T. Yamato, C. Hideshima, K. Suehiro, M. Tashiro, G. K. S. Prokash, G. A. Olah, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1991, <u>56</u>, 6248

N,N'-Carbonyldiimidazole CDI

[530-62-1]

Commercially available

A. Armstrong, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1006

Notes:

Useful for activation of carboxylic acids..

Examples:

1.
$$\frac{1}{1}$$

D D D

Me

CDI, CH_2Cl_2
 $\frac{1}{90\%}$

Me

Me

W. von E. Doering, X. Cheng, K. Lee, Z. Lin, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2002**, <u>124</u>, 11642

¹ R. E. Conrow, G. W. Dillow, L. Baker, L. Xue, O. Papadopoulou, J. K. Baker, B. S. Scott, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2002**, <u>67</u>, 6835

² W. von E. Doering, X. Cheng, K. Lee, Z. Lin, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2002**,

NaHMDS, NaN(SiMe₃)₂

Sodium Hexamethyldisilazide, NaHMDS [1070-89-9]

Commercially available

B. T. Watson, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4564

Notes: Strong, sterically-hindered base, soluble in THF, ether, and toluene. The Li and K analogs are also available. The reagent also can act as a nucleophile under certain conditions.

Example

1.¹

Use of NaH resulted in significant *N*-alkylation. 2.²

3.3 The lithio reagent serves much the same function:

³ S. B. Hoyt, L. E. Overman, Organic Letters **2000**, <u>2</u>, 3241

¹ S. Chow, K. Wen, Y. S. Sanghvib, E. A. Theodorakisa, *Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry Letters* **2002**, <u>13</u>, 1631

² X. Li, D. Lantrip, P. L. Fuchs, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 14262

NBS Br

N-Bromosuccinimide [128-08-5]

Commercially available

S. C. Virgil, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 768

reactivity differences **Notes:** Used for allylic and benzylic brominations (Wohl-Ziegler **Reaction**). With moist DMSO the reagent is useful for bromohydrin formation, providing trans addition of bromine and water. Can brominate alpha to carbonyl in carbonyl (carboxyl)-containing compounds. With DMF useful for aromatic bromination of activated aromatic rings, such as phenols, aromatic ethers, aniline derivatives and activated heterocyclic compounds. For similar chemistry, see also NBA, N-Bromoacetamide.

In allylic bromination, the radical nature of the reaction can lead to rearranged products.

Examples:

4.4 Useful for the conversion:

$$R$$
 H
 $OTHP$
 OTH

¹ T. R. Kelly, D. Xu, G. Martinez, H. Wang, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 1527

² H. Khatuya, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 42, 2643

³ D. L. Boger, S. Ichikawa, H. Jiang, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 12169

⁴ M. Narender, M. S. Reddy, K. R. Rao, Synthesis 2004, 1741

NCS

N-Chlorosuccinimide [128-09-6]

Commercially available

S. C. Virgil, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **2**, 1205

Notes: Used for the a-chlorination of carbonyl compounds, sulfoxides and sulfides (See: *Ramberg-Bücklund rearrangement*). Also used for preparing *N*-chloroamines.

Examples:

1.1

$$O = \underbrace{\hat{S}}_{\text{O}} \underbrace{S}_{\text{NCS}} \underbrace{O}_{\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2} \underbrace{O}_{\text{S}} \underbrace{S}_{\text{Cl}_2} \underbrace{O}_{\text{Cl}_2} \underbrace{O}_{\text{Cl}_$$

 2^{2}

$$Me \xrightarrow{N-t-Bu} NCS \xrightarrow{NCS} Cl \times NCS \xrightarrow{N-t-Bu} Cl$$

¹ V. K. Aggarwal, G. Boccardo, J. M. Worrall, H. Adams, R. Alexander, *Journal of the Chemical Society Perkin Transactions I* **1997**, 11

² N. DeKimpe, C. Stevens, M. Virag, Tetrahedron 1996, <u>52</u>, 3303

³ B. B. Snider, T. Liu, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 5630

Ni(acac)2

Commercially available

J. Doyon, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3689

Notes: Catalyst for polymerization and dimerization of alkynes and alkenes. Has been used for catalyzing conjugate additions to enones. Useful as a Lewis acid.

Examples:

1.1

74%

¹ K. Shibata, M. Kimura, M. Shimizu, Y. Tamaru, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2181

² M. Lozanov, J. Montgomery, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, 124, 2106

³ A. E. Greene, J. P. Lansard, J. L. Luche, C. Petrier, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1984, 49, 931

Ni(cod)₂



Bis(1,5-cyclooctadiene)nickel [1295-35-8]

Commercially available

P. A. Wender, T.E. Smith, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 450

Notes:

Useful source of nickel(0).

Examples:

1.1 Ni(cod)2 DMF 80% OMe $2.^{2}$ Ni(cod)₂ Me toluene, PPh3 Me Me 67% $3.^{3}$ MeOH CO Ni(COD)₂ COOMe Et₃N, MeCN 70% 4.4 ,OMe MeMgBr Me Ni(COD)2 Me OMe Et₂O

¹ M. F. Semmelhack, L.S. Ryono, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1975, 97, 3873

² P. A. Wender, N. C. Ihle, C. R. D. Correia, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1988**, <u>110</u>, 5904

³ S. Arai, K.Tokumaru, T. Aoyama, *Tetrahedron Letters* **2004**, <u>45</u>, 1845

⁴ M. Lautens, S. Ma, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1996**, <u>61</u>, 7246

NMO



N-Methlymorpholine-N-oxide [7529-22-8]

Commercially available

M. R. Sivik, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3545

Notes: A useful and relatively mild oxidizing agent. Most current use attempts to use catalytic amounts of OsO₄; thus NMO is used as a co-oxidant with OsO₄ for hydroxylation of alkenes. A method has been developed that allows catalytic amounts of NMM (*N*-methylmorpholine) to be used. ¹

Examples:

 $1.^{2}$

NMO can carry out the conversion of an activated halogen compound to an aldehyde

K. Bergstad, J. J. N. Piet, J. E. Backvall, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, 64, 2545
 J. A. Marshall, S. Beaudoin, K. Lewinskit, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1993, 58, 5876
 W. P. Griffith, J. M. Jolliffe, S. V. Ley, K. F. Springhorn, P. D. Tiffin, Synthetic Communications

 ^{1992, 22, 1967 (}AN 1992:489712)
 J. K. Cha, W. J. Christ, Y. Kishi, Tetrahedron Letters 1983, 24, 3943

Noyori's Reagent

[16853-85-3] ·Lithium aluminum hydride-2,2´-dihydroxy-1,1´-binaphthyl ((R)-BINAL) [18531-94-7] ·Lithium aluminum hydride-2,2´-dihydroxy-1,1´-binaphthyl ((S)-BINAL)

Preparation:

Commercially available

A. S. Gopalan, H. K. Jacobs, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, I L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3022

Notes: Used for enantioselective reduction of carbonyl groups. The reducing agent (for the appropriate enantiomer) can be designated in carton style to show the twist in the ring systems as:

Examples:

1.
$$I = \frac{C_5H_{11}}{O} = \frac{C_5H_{11}}{OH} = \frac{C_5H_{11}}{OH}$$
 $R = H \qquad 84\%$
 $R = C_4H_9 \qquad 90\%$

¹ M. Nishizawa, M. Yamada, R. Noyori, Tetrahedron Letters 1981, 22, 247

² J. A. Marshall, W. Y. Gung, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 29, 1657

Nystead Reagent

Most likely a complex mixture resulting from Schlenk equilibrium.

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S. Matsubara, e-Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, L.A. Paquette, Ed.,, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., online reference available at http://www.interscience.wiley.com.

Notes: The bromo- variation, due to poor solubility is of limited use. Useful for the BF₃-catalyzed methylenation of aldehydes in the presence of ketones.

Examples:

1. Nystead
$$H_{3}C$$
 $H_{3}C$ $H_{3}C$ $H_{3}C$ $H_{3}C$

¹ S. Sugihara, M. Utimoto, *Synlett*, **1998**, 313; from S. Matsubara, *e-Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Ltd., 2003

² K. Ukai, A. Arioka, H. Yoshino, H. Fushimi, K. Oshima, K. Utimoto, S. Matsubara, Synlett 2001, 513; from S. Matsubara, e-Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Ltd., 2003

³ S. Matsubara, K. Ukai, H. Fushimi, Y. Yokota, H. Yoshino, K. Oshima, K. Omoto,

A. Ogawa, Y. Hiokib, H. Fujimotob, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 8255

Osmium tetroxide

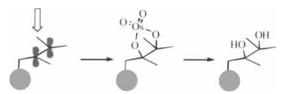
OsO₄

[20816-12-0]

Commercially available

Y. Gao, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, York, 1995, 6, 3801

Notes: Useful for the cis-dihydroxylation of alkenes. Attacks alkenes from the less-hindered face.



In examples containing an allylic hydroxyl (or alkoxy) group, the newly formed *cis*-diol will be anti to the existing group. This appears to override other steric factors (see footnote 1).

Early experiments used OsO_4 in stoichiometric amounts, more modern use reoxides the OsO_2 formed in the reaction: Common reagents for this include <u>TBHP</u> and <u>NMO</u>

For studies on a polymer-bound OsO₄ reagent, see: S. Kobayashi, M. Endo, S. Nagayama, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1999, 121, 11229

A recoverable, microencapsulated OsO₄ has been described: S. Nagayama, M. Endo, S. Kobayashi, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1998**, <u>63</u>, 6094

Examples:

1.1

¹ J. K. Cha, W. J. Christ, Y. Kishi, Tetrahedron 1984, 40, 2247

² K. B. Sharpless, K. Akashi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1976, 98, 1986

Oxone®1

(2KHSO₅.KHSO₄.K₂SO₄)

A "triple salt", providing a convenient souce of potassium monoperoxysulfate (potassium hydrogen persulfate) [37222-66-5]

Commercially available

J. M. Crandall, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4265

Notes: This reagent is a useful oxidizing agent.

The reagent can provide for <u>Baeyer-Villiger</u> conditions and reacts with nitrogen and sulfur to form *N*-oxides and sulfones, respectively.

As a reagent, it is commonly found in the preparation of dimethyldioxirane (<u>DDO</u>), itself a useful oxidizing agent.

The oxidation of aldehydes to acids might follow the following mechanism:

Examples:

1.

 2^{3}

 $3.^4$ Use of Oxone for conversion of C-B to C-OH bonds in the hydroboration reaction. $4.^5$

¹ Also commercially available as Curox® and Caroat®

² B. R. Travis, M. Sivakumar, G. O. Hollist, B. Borhan, Organic Letters 2003, 5, 1031

³ M. Frigerio, M. Santagostino, S. Sputore, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 1999, 64, 4537

⁴ D. H. B. Ripin, W. Cai, S. J. Brenek, Tetrahedron Letters 2000, 41, 5817

⁵ D. Yang, Y.-C. Yip, G.-S. Jiao, M.-K. Wong, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1998, 63, 8952

Ozone

[10028-15-6]

Preparation: generated by passing dry oxygen through two electrodes connected to AC.

R. A. Berglund, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3837

Notes: For organic chemists the major use of this oxidizing agent is in the cleavage of alkene bonds. This can be followed by either oxidative or reductive workups. The reaction can be run in a number of common solvents.

Among the reducing agents for the reductive workup, Me₂S is one of the most common. Hydrogen peroxide is a common oxidative workup.

Criegee Mechanism for Ozonolysis

Griesbaum Coozonoysis Reaction1

$$\stackrel{R}{\stackrel{\text{OMe}}{=}} \stackrel{\text{OMe}}{\stackrel{\text{O}}{=}} \stackrel{R''}{\stackrel{\text{O}}{=}} \stackrel{O_3}{\stackrel{\text{R'''}}{=}} \stackrel{R''}{\stackrel{\text{O}}{=}} \stackrel{R'''}{\stackrel{\text{O}}{=}} \stackrel{R''}{\stackrel{\text{O}}{=}} \stackrel{R''$$

Examples: 1.2

¹ Y. Tang, Y. Dong, J. M. Karle, C.A. DiTusa, J. L. Vennerstrom, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2004, 69, 6470

² P. H. Dussault, J. M. Raible, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 3377.

Pd(dba)₂

$$\begin{bmatrix} \\ \\ \\ \end{bmatrix}_{2}^{\operatorname{Pd}}$$

Bis(dibenzylideneacetone)palladium(0) [32005-36-0]

Commercially available

J. R. Stille, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc.,

L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 482

Notes:

Catalytic amounts of Pd(dba)₂ will activate allylic acetates to nucleophilic attack.

Triphenylphosphine or *1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane* (dppe) are often part of the reaction mixture.

Examples:

 $1.^{1}$

$$2.^{2}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & Pd(dba)_2 \\ \hline \\ \text{Si} \quad \text{Me} & Ph-I, TBAF \\ \hline \\ \text{THF} \quad C_5H_{11} \\ \hline \\ 91\% \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Ph \\ \hline \\ C_5H_{11} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$3.^{3}$$

O Me
$$1. \text{Pd(dba)}_2$$
 COOMe $1. \text{Pd(dba)}_2$ $1. \text{Pd(dba)}_2$

¹¹K. H. Shaughnessy, B. C. Harmann, J. F. Hartwig, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1998, 63, 6546

² S. E. Denmark, J. Y. Choi, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1999, 121, 5821

³ S. Cacchi, G. Fabrizi, A. Goggiamani, G. Zappia, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2539

⁴ K. Yamazaki, Y. Kondo, Journal of Combinatorial Chemistry 2002, 4, 191

Pearlman's Catalyst

Pd(OH)₂ / C

Palladium(II) hydroxide on carbon [7440-05-3]

Commercially available

A. O. King, I. Shinkai, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3888

Uses: A catalyst that finds use in the removal of benyzyl groups under hydrogenolysis conditions. **Examples:**

1.
$$\frac{1}{1}$$
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 $O = \frac{1}{1}$
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¹ Y. Al-Abed, N. Naz, D. Mootoo, W. Voelter, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 8641

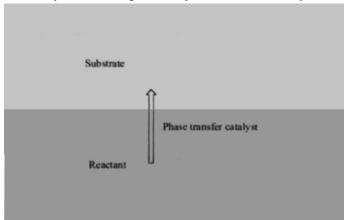
² W. Notz, C. Hartel, B. Waldscheck, R. R. Schmidt, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* 2001, <u>66</u>, 4250

³ D. E. DeMong, R. M. Williams, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003 125, 8561

Phase-transfer Catalysts

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Notes: A phase transfer reagent is a compound soluble in both an aqueous and organic phase.



Generally the phase transfer catalyst will be either a salt (ex, KMnO4, NaOCl, etc) where the anion portion of the reactant is transported to the substrate by way of a cationic material with solubility in both phases.

We also include crown ethers as phase transfer reagents. In these case the cation of the reactant is most likely coordinated.

Examples:

Triethylbenzylammonium bromide [TEBA]

[56-37-1], P.B. Savage, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 376

Bu₄N + Br

Tetrabutylammonium bromide

[1643-19-2], A.B. Charette, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 3632

(Me(CH₂)₇]₃N-Me)⁺Cl⁻

Methyltrioctylammonium chloride [Aliquat]®

[5137-55-3]. M.E. Bos, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 3632

PPA

Unspecified structure

Polyphosphoric acid [8017-16-1]

Commercially available

J. H. Dodd, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4169

Notes: A strong mineral acid of unspecified structure. It contains a mixture of phosphoric acids and derivatives, with a high content of P_2O_5 . Does chemistry similar to that found with <u>Eaton's</u> reagent.

Useful for Friedel-Crafts acylation reactions:

Examples:

 $1.^{1}$

¹ A. Jones, P. U. Civcir, Tetrahedron 1997, <u>53</u>, 11529

² A. P. Venkov, I. I. Ivanov, Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 12299

³ M. M. Ramana, P. V. Potnis, Synthesis 1996, 1090

PPTS

Pyridinium *p*-toluenesulfonate [24057-28-1]

Commercially available

A. A. Galan, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4375

Notes: A weak acid, useful for substrates with acid-sensitive functional groups. Has been used to place and remove alcohol protecting groups:

$$R-OH$$
 O
 $PPTS$
 $R-OH$
 $PPTS$
 $R-OH$
 $R-OH$
 $R-OH$
 $R-OH$
 $R-OH$
 $R-OH$
 $R-OH$

Examples:

1.1

Selective removal of protecting groups:

2.2 OH Ph PPTS
$$\frac{\text{Ph}}{\text{HO}} = \frac{\text{PPTS}}{\text{MeO}_{3}\text{CH}}$$

$$\frac{\text{Cl-CH}_{2}\text{CH}_{2}\text{Cl}}{92\%}$$
3.3

¹ C. Prakash, S. Saleh, I. A. Blair, Tetrahedron Letters 1989, 30, 19

² W. Zhao, E. M. Carreira, Organic Letters 2003 5, 4153

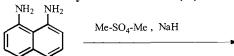
³ H. Choo, Y. Chong, C. K. Chu, Organic Letters 2001, <u>3</u>, 1471

⁴ K. Nakamura, T. J. Baker, M. Goodman, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 2967

Proton Sponge

1,8-bis(dimethylamino)naphthalene

Commercially available. Can be prepared:1



B. A. Barner, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 494

Notes: A very strong base (pKa = 21.1) with poor nucleophilicity due to steric effects. This makes it a useful organic base for reactions sensitive to most other Lewis bases.

Examples:

1.2

¹ H. Quast, W. Risler, G. Döllscher, Synthesis 1972, 558

² T. Kovács, L. Ötvös, Tetrahedron Letters 1988, 29, 4525

³ R. Lavilla, T. Gotsens, M. Guerrero, J. Bosch, Synthesis 1995, 382

⁴ S. T. Sigurdsson. B. Seeger, U. Kutzke, F. Eckstein, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1996, 61, 3883

PTSA

Commercially available.

G. S. Hamilton, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4941.

Examples:

1.1

Quant

 $2.^{2}$

 $3.^{3}$

4.4

¹ G. A. Kraus, I. Kim, Organic Letters 2003, <u>5</u>, 1191

² K. M. Brummond, J. Lu, *Organic Letters* **2001**, <u>3</u>, 1347

³ S. B. Singh, Tetrahedron Letters 2000 41, 6973

⁴ D. Dugat, A. Chiaroni, C. Riche, J. Royer, H.-P. Husson, Tetrahedron Letters 1997, 38, 5801

Raney Nickel

Ni-Al

[106-51-4]

Commercially Available

T.-K. Yang, D.-S. Lee, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4401

Notes:

1. Many forms, based on ratio of NaOH to aluminum

2.Particularly useful for reducing C-S bonds.1

Examples:

3.4 A method for making peptides:

¹ See:H. Atkins, *Organic Reactions*, Vol 8, Chapter 1; G. R. Pettit, E. E. vanTamelen, *Organic Reactions*, Vol 12, Chapter 5.

² S.-M. Yang, S. K. Nandy, A. R. Selvakumar, J.-M. Fang, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 3719

³ M. Couturier, J. L. Tucker, B. M. Andresen, P. Dubé, J. T. Negri, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 465

⁴ Z. Y. Liang, P. E. Dawson, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2001, 123, 526

⁵ B. Klenke, I. H. Gilbert, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 2480

Rawal's Diene

$$R^{N}$$
 R

Preparation:1

O Me
$$\frac{R_2NH}{THF}$$
 O Me $\frac{1. \text{ KHMDS}}{THF}$ $\frac{R_3SiO}{THF}$ $\frac{2. R_3SiC1}{R}$ $\frac{R_2N}{R}$

Notes:

See: Brassard's, Chan's, and Danishefsky's dienes.

Rawal's diene has been shown to be about 25 times more reactive than <u>Danishefsky's diene</u>.

See: Diels-Alder Reaction.

Examples:

 $1.^{1}$

¹ S. A. Kozmin, V. H. Rawal, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 5252

² T. L. S. Kishbaugh, G. W. Gribble, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 4783

Rosenmund Catalyst

Pd / BaSO₄

[7440-05-3]

Commercially available.

S. Siegel, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995 6, 3861

Notes: Used for the conversion of an acid chloride to an aldehyde. Quinoline is often added to further reduce catalyst activity. See: *Rosenmund Reduction*.

An improved procedure uses THF as solvent with 2,6-dimethylpyridine as base.1

Examples:

1.2

the yield was 74%

4. A modified *Rosenmund Reduction*:

R = (+) menthyl

¹ A. W. Burgstahler, L. O. Weigel, C. G. Shaefer, Synthesis 1976, 767

² S. Danishefsky, M. Hirama, K. Gombatz, T. Harayama, E. Berman, P.F. Schuda, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1979**, <u>101</u>, 7020

³ M. O. Duffey, A. LeTiran, J. P. Morken, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2003**, <u>125</u>, 1458

⁴ S. Chimichi, M. Boccalini, B. Cosimelli, *Tetrahedron* **2002**, <u>58</u>, 4851

⁵ A. I. Rachlin, H. Gurien, D. P. Wagner, Organic Syntheses CV6, 1007

Schlosser's Base

(Sometimes referred to as the *Lochmann-Schlosser Base*) n-BuLi / t-BuO K⁺

Preparation: BuLi, after removal of hexane, is taken up in cooled (-90°C) THF. At reduced temperature, (-50°C) is added the *t*-BuOK and material from which a proton is to be abstracted.^{1, 2}

X. Xia, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L.A.Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 923

Notes: The combination of *n*-BuLi / K^*t -BuO is considerably more basic than *n*-BuLi alone. It can exchange C-H bonds of pK_a 35-50.³

Examples:

1.4 After removal of an allylic proton, a useful contathermodynamic isomerization:

Me Schlosser base
$$H_2C \ominus K \oplus B(OMe)_3$$
 CH_2 -B(OMe)_3

Me Me $H_2C \ominus K \oplus B(OMe)_3$ CH_2 -B(OMe)_3

This procedure provided a simple method for converting α - to β -pinene in high yield and enantiomeric purity.

 $[\]overbrace{F_{3}B}^{\text{P}} \underbrace{\begin{array}{c} 1. \text{ Schlosser's base} \\ \hline 2. \text{ Ph-CH}_2\text{-Br} \\ \hline 34\% \end{array}}_{\text{N}} \underbrace{\begin{array}{c} CH_2\text{-Ph} \\ N \end{array}}_{\text{C}}$

¹ a.) M. Schlosser (Editor), in *Organometallics in Synthesis. A Manual*, John Wiley and Sons, New York, 1994, Chapter 1.; b.) See M. Schlosser, O. Desponds, R. Lehmann, E. Moret, G. Rauchschwalbe, *Tetrahedron* **1993**, 49, 10175.

² Y. Naruse, Y. Ito, S. Inagaki, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1999**, <u>64</u>, 639 examine a number of different base combinations in a study on ethylations.

³ M. Schlosser, S. Strunk, *Tetrahedron Letters* **1984**, <u>25</u>, 741

⁴ H. C. Brown, M. Zaidlewicz, K. S. Bhat, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1989, 54, 1764

⁵ F. Cominetti, A. Deagostino, C. Prandi, P. Venturello, *Tetrahedron* 1998, <u>54</u>, 14603

⁶ S. V. Kessar, P. Singh, K. N. Singh, S. K. Singh, Chemical Communications 1999, 1927

Schwartz Reagent



Chlorobis(cyclopentadienyl)hydridozirconium [37342-97-5]

Commercially available

Preparation:



T. Takahashi, N. Suzuki, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc, New York, edited by L.A. Paquette, 1995, 2, 1082

Notes:

Lipshutz² notes that the shelf-life of the reagent suggests that a simple in-situ preparation serves well:

The hydrozirconation of alkenes will generally result in positional isomerization of the Zr to the least-hindered position. The Zr-intermediate can be replaced with Br (Br₂, NBS), I (I₂), Cl (<u>NCS</u>), OH (MCPBA, or basic aq. hydrogen peroxide).

Examples:

BnO
$$\frac{1. \text{Cp}_2\text{Zr(H)Cl}}{2. \text{I}_2, \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2}$$
BnO $\frac{1}{\text{Me}}$
 $\frac{1. \text{Cp}_2\text{Zr(H)Cl}}{\text{TMS}}$
BnO $\frac{1}{\text{Me}}$
 $\frac{1}{\text{TMS}}$

2.4 Also converts *Weinreb amides* to aldehydes

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
O \\
R
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
O \\
N
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
O \\
THF
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
O \\
R
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
O \\
D
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
O \\
D
\end{array}$$

¹ S. L. Buchwald, S. J. LaMaire, R. B. Nielsen, B. T. Watson, S. M. King, *Organic Syntheses* CV9, 162

² B. H. Lipshutz, R. Keil, E. L. Ellsworth, Tetrahedron Letters 1990, 31, 7257

³ A. Arefolov, N. F. Langille, J. S. Panek, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3281

⁴ J. T. Spletstoser, J. M. White, G. I. George, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 2787

Schweizer's Reagent

Vinyltriphenylphosphonium bromide [5044-52-0]

Commercially available

Edward E. Schweizer, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc, New York, edited by L.A. Paquette, 1995, 7, 5508

Notes: Useful reagent for generating functionalized Wittig intermediates.

$$\xrightarrow{Ph_3P}$$
 $\xrightarrow{\Theta_{Nu}}$
 $\xrightarrow{Ph_2P}$
 \xrightarrow{Nu}

Unique application for non-conjugated dienes

¹B. O'Connor, G. Just, Tetrahedron Letters 1985, 26, 1799.

² E. E. Schweizer, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1964, <u>86</u>, 2744

³ H. H. Posner, S. B. Lu, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1985, <u>107</u>, 1424

Schwesinger P4 base

Phosphorimidic triamide, (1,1-dimethylethyl)tris[tris(dimethylamino)phosphoranylidene] Phosphazene Base P4-t-Bu [111324-04-0]

Commercially available

Reinhard Schwesinger, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc, New York, edited by L.A. Paquette, 1995, 6, 4110

Notes:

Extremely strong base. Has excellent solublizing properties, and complex cation so that the anion is more reactive.

Examples:

1.¹

Me
$$\sim$$
 OH + $\stackrel{\text{Me}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{P- 4}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{Me}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{O}}{\sim}$ $\stackrel{\text{CN}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{Me}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{O}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{CN}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{Ne}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{O}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{CN}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{Ne}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{Ne}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{O}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{Ne}}{=}$ $\stackrel{\text{$

No conversion found with NaOH, <u>DABCO</u>, <u>DMAP</u>, <u>DBU</u>. 2.

5

78%

95

P - 4/ THF

¹ G. Jenner, Tetrahedron 2002, 58, 4311

² T. Imahorl, Y. Kondo, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2003, 125, 8082

³ D. A. Alonso, C. Najera, M. Varea, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 573

Selenium Dioxide

SeO₂

Selenium (IV) Oxide [7446-08-4]

Commercially available

William J. Hoekstra, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 4437

Notes:

Primarily noted for its ability to oxidize (hydroxylate) saturated allylic, propargylic or cabon atom alpha to a carbonyl group.

General observations: See reference 2 for additional comments.

most favored

least favored

Ring oxidation preferred; and α to the more substituted alkene position.

Oxidation α to a carbonyl group is called a *Riley oxidation*.

For mechanistic studies see: E. J. Corey, J. P. Schaefer, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1960, 82, 918

Examples:

This was a detailed study of the regiochemistry of SeO₂ allylic oxidation.

¹ R. W. Curley, Jr., C. J. Ticoras, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1986, 51, 256

² H. Rapoport, U. T. Bhalerao, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1971, 93, 4835

Schrock's Catalyst

These catalysts generally contain W, Mo or Re, and have a general structure:

Commercially available

Notes:

The Schrock catalysts are very reactive and subtle changes in substitution can modify reactivity. The catalysts are generally tolerant to other functional groups. Tend to be less stable to air, water or heat than *Grubbs catalysts*. Useful for *RCM reactions*.

Reactions need to carried out in Schlenk lines.

2.

$$i\text{-Pr}$$
 N
 Me
 $Me(F_3C)_2C\text{-O}$
 Mo
 Ph
 $Me(F_3C)_2C\text{-O}$
 Mo
 Ph
 $Me(F_3C)_2C\text{-O}$

Reactions need to carried out in Schlenk lines.

Schrock-Hoveyda catalyst

SMEAH

$$\underset{\text{Na}}{\bigoplus} \underset{\text{H}}{\overset{\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OMe}}{\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OMe}} }$$

Sodium bis(2-methoxyethoxy)aluminum hydride [22722-98-1]

Commercially available.

M. Gugelchuk, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4518

Notes: Selective reducing agent.

Examples:

¹ S. E. Denmark, T. K. Jones, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1982, 47, 4595

² M. Ishizaki, O. Hoshino, Y. Iitaka, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1992, <u>57</u>, 7285

³ R. B. Gammill, L. T. Bell, S. A. Mizsak, Tetrahedron Letters 1990, 31, 5301

Sodium Nitrite

NaNO₂

[6732-00-0]

Commercially available. Less expensive than Li or K counterparts; thus more commonly used.

K. J. McCullough, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7 4604

Notes:

General source of the unstable nitrous acid; most often formed in-situ.

For synthetic organic chemistry the reagent finds use for preparing diazo compounds:

$$ArNH_2 + NaNO_2 + 2 HX \longrightarrow ArN_2^+X^- + NaX + 2 H_2O$$

Proposed Mechanism:

Other variations of the reaction:

Griess (Diazotization) Reaction

$$2 \text{ ArNH}_2 + \text{N}_2 \text{O}_3 + 2 \text{ HNO}_3 + \text{H}_2 \text{O} \longrightarrow 2 \text{ ArN}_2^{+} \text{NO}_3^{-} + 4 \text{H}_2 \text{O}$$

Knoevenagel (Diazotization) Method

$$ArNH_2 + RONO + HX \longrightarrow ArN_2^+X^- + ROH + H_2O$$

Witt (Diazotization) Method

$$2 \text{ ArNH}_2 + \text{Na}_2 \text{S}_2 \text{O}_5 + 4 \text{ HNO}_3 \longrightarrow 2 \text{ ArN}_2^{+} \text{NO}_3^{-} + \text{Na}_2 \text{S}_2 \text{O}_7 + 4 \text{ H}_2 \text{O}_7$$

A selection of reactions using this general approach include:

Bart Reaction; Borsche (Cinnoline) Synthesis; Demjanov Rearrangment; Diazo Reaction; Gattermann Reaction; Gattermann Method; Pschorr Arylation; Sandmeyer Reaction; Schiemann Reaction (Balz-Schiemann Rxn); Tiffeneau-Demjanov Reaction; Widman-Stoermer (Cinnoline) Synthesis

Solvents

Benzene-based solvents

Toluene

Xylenes

Mesitylene

Cumene

$$\begin{array}{c|c} Me & Me & Me \\ Me & Me & Me \\ Me & Me \end{array}$$

Cymene

o- m- p-

Ether-based solvents

Et_2O

MTBE

Diethyl ether

Methyl t-butyl ether



THF

Tetrahydrofuran Dioxane

Dimethoxyethane

Ethers can stabilize cations; diglyme can provide properties similar to those found in crown ethers.

Pyridine-based solvents

$$\bigcap_{N \ Me} \bigcap_{N}^{Me} \bigcap_{N}^{Me}$$

Picolines

3-, and 4- picoline

Lutidine 2,6-

Lupetidine

Me Me

2,3,4-

Collidines 2.4.6-

2,4,6- 2,3,5-

3,4,5-

Additional Common Solvents and Additives

Acetone: Me Me

Acetonitrile: MeCN

Carbon tetrachloride: CCl4

Chloroform: CHCl₃

Dichloromethane: CH2Cl2

Dimethylformamide, DMF:

Dimethylsulfoxide, <u>DMSO</u>: Me S

Hexamethylphosphoramide, <u>HMPA</u>, <u>HMPT</u>:

Stiles Reagent

MeOMgOCO₂Me

Methyl magnesium carbonate (MMC)

[4861-79-4]

Preparation: Bubble carbon dioxide into a solution of magnesium methoxide. Upon heating, a series of equilibrium reactions forms the reagent:

 \Rightarrow MeO-MgO-CO₂Me x CO₂ \Rightarrow (MeO-CO₂)₂Mg $CO_2 + Mg(OMe)_2$

Magnesium methoxide [109-88-6]

D. Caine, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3204

L. N. Mander, e-Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis L.A. Paquette, Ed.,, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., online reference available at http://www.interscience.wiley.com.

1. Used for placing a carboxyl group adjacent to an existing carbonyl.

2. A useful method of incorporating an alkyl group with the carboxylation has been reported.

Examples:

$$2.^{3}$$

¹ E. S. Hand, S. C. Johnson, D. C. Baker, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1997, 62, 1348

² A. S. Kende, J. Chen, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1985, 107, 7184

³ F. G. Favaloro, Jr., T. Honda, Y. Honda, G. W. Gribble, N. Suh, R. Risingsong, M. B. Sporn,

Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 2002, 45, 4801

4 Reported in K. B. G. Torssell, K.V. Gothelf, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A.Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3745

Stryker's Reagent

(Ph₃PCuH)₆

hexa-m-hydrohexakis(triphenylphosphine)hexacopper [33636-93-0]

Commercially available:

Preparation: An expedient preparation of Stryker's reagent.

J. F. Daeuble, J. M. Stryker, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **4**, 2651

Notes:

Conjugate addition of hydride. The reagent will not react with isolated double bonds, carbonyl groups. Many functional groups resistant to reaction.

Examples:

¹ P. Chiu, Z. Li, K. C. M. Fung Tetrahedron Letters, 2003, 44, 455.

² P. Chiu, C.-P. Szeto, Z. Geng, K.-F. Cheng, Organic Letters, 2001, 3, 1901

³ T. M. Kamenecka, L. E. Overman, S. K. Ly Sakata, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 79

⁴ P. Chiu, C. P. Szeto, Z. Geng, K. F. Cheng, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 4091

⁵ J. F. Daeuble, C. McGettigan, J.M. Stryker, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1990, <u>31</u>, 2397

Super hydride

Lithium triethylborohydride [22560-16-3]

Commercially available

Organic Letters 2002, 4, 1715

M. Zaidlewicz, H. C. Brown, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 5, 3180

Notes: An extremely powerful source of hydride. If one assigns a relative value of 1 for the nucleophilic character of hydride from NaBH₄, the hydride from LiAlH₄ is about 250 times more reactive and that from Super hydride is about 10,000 times more reactive.

The reagent is particularly useful for the reaction C-X \rightarrow C-H, where X = I > Br > Cl > F. The replacement of tosylate and mesylate are also readily carried out.

Examples:

1.1

¹ E. A. Bercot, D. E. Kindrachuk, T. Rovis, *Organic Letters* **200X**, <u>XX</u>, XXX; see a similar study: N. Pourahmady, E. J. Eisenbraun *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **1983**, 48, 3067

² Naoki Toyooka, Maiko Okumura, Hideo Nemoto, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2002**, <u>67</u>, 6078 ³ N. Toyooka, A. Fukutome, H. Nemoto, J. W. Daly, T. F. Spande, H. M. Garraffo, T. Kaneko,

TBAF

$$\begin{array}{c} Bu \\ \downarrow \\ Bu - N \\ Bu \\ Bu \end{array}$$
Tetrabutylammonium fluoride [100-85-6]

Commercially available

H.-Y. Li, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4728

Notes: Useful for the removal of silyl groups:

Examples:

1.1

2.² Promotion of S_NAr reactions:

 $3.^{3}$

¹ M. E. Layton, C. A. Morales, M. D. Shair, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 2002, <u>124</u>, 773

² T. Temal-Laib, J. Chastanet, J. Zhu, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2002, <u>124</u>, 583

³ C. Hamdouchia, C. Jaramillo, J. Lopez-Pradosb, A. Rubioa, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 3875

TBHP

Commercially available.

K. Jones, T. E. Wilson, S. S. Nikam, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, **2**, 880

Notes: Oxidizing agent. See also *THP* (triphenylmethyl hydroperoxide), [4198-93-0]. Is useful with OsO₄ for catalytic hydroxylation reactions,

Examples:

2.²
TBDPSO

CH₂OH

TBHP

TBDPSO

Me

H

$$\tilde{C}$$
H₂OH

 \tilde{C} H₂OH

3.3 A method for removing thicketals:

¹ P. Li, W. M. Fong, L. C. F. Chao, S. H. C. Fung, I. D. Williams, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2001**, 66, 4087

² R. M. Garbaccio, S. J. Stachel, D. K. Baeschlin, S. J. Danishefsky, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2001**, <u>123</u>, 10903

³ N. B. Barhate, P. D. Shinde, V. A. Mahajan, R. D. Wakharkar, Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 6031

TEBA (TEBAC)

Benzyltriethylammonium chloride [56-37-1]

Commercially available

P. B. Savage, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 376

Notes: Useful phase transfer reagent.

Examples:

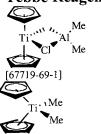
1.1

2.²
A phase transfer approach to substituted ureas via a *Curtius Rearrangement*

¹ M. Makosza, M. Wawrzyniewicz, Tetrahedron Letters 1969, 10, 4659

² G. Groszek, Organic Process Research & Development 2002, 6, 759

Tebbe Reagent



See: The Petasis modification of the Tebbe Reagent. N. A. Petasis, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995 1, 470 [1271-66-5]

Commercially available

D. A. Strauss, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1078

Notes:

- 1. Particularly useful for conversion of lactones and esters to enol ethers
- Can serve as alternative to Wittig reagent for the methylenation of hindered ketones. 2.
- 3. See Tebbe Reaction.

Examples:

1.2

¹ This reagent is useful due to its low acidity and basicity, allowing it to be used in the presence of easily enolizable carbonyl compounds. The reagent will selectively react with a simple carbonyl in the presence of a carboxyl-type carbonyl group.

² W. A. Kinney, M. J. Coghlan, L. A. Paquette, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1986, 106, 6868 J. W. S. Stevenson, T. A. Bryson, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1982, 23, 3143

TEMPO

2,2,6,6-Tetramethylpiperidin-1-oxyl

Commercially available

F. Montanari, S. Quici, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4821

Notes: In conjunction with other oxidizing agents, this reagent provides mild conditions for oxidations, for example:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \underline{\text{Me}} & \underline{\text{TEMPO, NaOCl (aq)}} & \underline{\text{Me}} \\ \underline{\text{Me}} & \underline{\text{CH}_2\text{OH}} & \underline{\text{KBr, CH}_2\text{Cl}_2} & \underline{\text{Me}} \\ \underline{\text{R2 - 84\%}} & \underline{\text{Me}} & \underline{\text{CHO}} \end{array}$$

Examples:

1.2

polystyrene based oxidant

¹ P. L. Anelli, F. Montanari, S. Quici, *Organic Syntheses* <u>CV8</u>, 367. A number of other primary alcohol oxidations are reported.

² K. Sakuratani, H. Toga, Synthesis 2003, 21

³ Jeffrey B. Epp, Theodore S. Widlanski, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1999, <u>64</u>, 293

⁴ L. De Luca, G. Giacomelli, A. Porcheddu, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 3041

1,1,3,3-Tetramethyldisilazane

Commercially available

K. Tamao, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4809

Notes:

Tamoa notes how this is particularly useful for polyol synthesis:

Examples

1. Me Me $\frac{\text{Me Me}}{\text{NH}_3, Et_2O}$ $\frac{\text{Me Me}}{\text{NH}_3, Et_2O}$ $\frac{\text{Me Me}}{\text{NH}_3, Et_2O}$ $\frac{\text{R-BINAP}}{\text{R-BINAP}}$

2.
2

Me

Q-SiMe₂H

 $_{Me}$
 $_$

K. Tamao, T. Tanaka, T. Nakajima, R. Sumiya, H. Arai, Y. Ito, Tetrahedron Letters 1990, 31,7333
 J. A. Marshall, M. M. Yanik, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 2173

TMEDA

Commercially available

R. K. Haynes, S. C. Vonwiller, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4811

Notes:

Enhances reactivity of organolithium reagents.

Note the influence of TMEDA on the lithiation of naphthyl methyl ether: (D.A. Shirley, C.F. Cheng, *Journal of Organometallic Chemistry* **1969**, 20, 251.)

Examples:

1.1

 $2.^{2}$

 $3.^{3}$

¹ M. T. Crimmins, K. Chaudhary, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 775

² Y. S. Park, P. Beak, Tetrahedron, 1996, <u>52</u>, 12333

³ P. S. Van Heerden, B. C. B. Bezuidenhoudt, D. Ferreira, Tetrahedron 1996, <u>52</u>, 12313

TMSOTf

Trimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate [88248-68-4]

Commercially available

JJ. Sweeny, G. Perkins, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 5315

Notes: A very efficient Lewis acid. Useful for the conversion of ketones to their corresponding TMS enol ethers:

Can serve as catalyst for the selective ketalization of multicarbonyl-containing compounds. Sterically-hindered or conjugated carbonyl groups will react much more slowly to the reaction:

Examples:

 $1.^{1}$

¹ T. Ishikawa, M. Okano, T. Aikawa, S. Saito, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 4635

² K. Matsuoka, T. Onaga, T. Mori, J.-I. Sakamoto, T. Koyama N. Sakairi, K. Hatanoa,

D. Terunuma, Tetrahedron Letters 2004, 45, 9384

¹ D. J. Dixon, S. V. Ley, E. W. Tate, Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transaction 1 1999,

^{2665 &}lt;sup>2</sup> D. A. Evans, C. W. Downey, J. L. Hubbs, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2003**, <u>125</u>, 8706

TPAP

Pr₄N⁺RuO₄⁻

Tetra-*n*-propylammonium perruthenate [114615-82-6]

Commercially available

S. V. Ley, J. Norman, *Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis*, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 7, 4827

Notes: Mild oxidizing agent. Generally carried out in the presence of a co-oxidant, often NMO.

Examples:

 $1.^{1}$

³ H. Miyaoka, M. Yamanishi, Y. Kajiwara, Y. Yamada, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2003, <u>68</u>, 3476

¹ T. Hu, N. Takanaka, J. S. Panek, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1999**, <u>121</u>, 9229 ² L. A. Paquette, H.-J. Kang, C. S. Ra, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1992**, <u>114</u>, 7387

Triton-B

Benzyltriethylammonium hydroxide [100-85-6]

Commercially available

M. E. Bos, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 1, 382

Notes: This reagent (see structural similarity with <u>TEBA</u>) serves as a phase transfer catalyst and a base.

Examples:

30% H₂O₂, Triton B

75%

THF

 $2.^2$

1.1

$$3.^{3}$$

¹ N. Yoshida, K. Ogasawara, Organic Letters 2000, 2, 1461

² F. Wendling, M. Miesch, Organic Letters 2001, 3, 2689

³ M. R. Younes, M. M. Chaabounib, A. Bakloutia, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 3167

Vedejs Reagent

MoOPH

[23319-63-3]

Oxodiperoxymolybdenum(pyridine)(hexamethyphospotriamide)

Preparation:1

$$\begin{array}{c} 1.30\% \text{ H}_2\text{O}_2 \\ \hline 2. \text{ HMPA} \\ \hline 3. \text{ Dry, then Py / THF} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ O \\ O \\ Pyd \\ \text{HMPA} \\ \end{array}$$

E. Vedejs, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 6, 3825

Notes:

The reagent is useful for the hydroxylation of enolate anions.

¹ E. Vedejs, S. Larsen, Organic Synthesis 1985, 64, 127

² K.Takeda, Y. Sawada, K. Sumi, Organic Letters 2002, 4, 1031

³ S. Makino, K. Shintani, T. Yamatake, O. Hara, K. Hatano, Y. Hamata, Tetrahedron 2002, <u>58</u>, 9737

Verkade's Superbase

2,8,9-trialkyl-2,5,8,9-tetraaza-1-phosphabicyclo[3.3.3]undecane R = Me, i-Pr, i -Bu

Commercially available

Notes:

A strong base, with calculated pKa of 29.1

See: Schwesinger P4 base for similar non-ionic bases.

Ready reaction on P due to:2



Examples:

1.
2
Me
 $^{N-P}$
 $^{N-P}$
 $^{N-N}$
Me
 $^{N-P}$
 $^{N-N}$
 N

B. Kovacevic, D. Baric, Z. B. Maksic, New Journal of Chemistry 2004, 28, 284 (AN 2004:87563)
 Z. Wang, J. G. Varkade, Tetrahedron Letters 1998, 39, 9331

Weinreb Amide¹

$$\xi = \int_{0}^{OMe} \int_{N}^{OMe} Me$$

Preparation: These intermediates are readily prepared from an activated acid (acid chloride) and the methoxymethyl amine.

Notes:

1. This useful functional group is particularly well-suited to react with hydride or organometallic reagents.

2. For application on solid support.2

Examples:

 $1.^3$

¹ S. Nahm, S. M. Weinreb, Tetrahedron Letters 1981, 22, 3815

² T. Q. Dinh, R. W. Armstrong, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 1161

³ A. Gomtsyan, R.J. Koenig, C.-H. Lee, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, <u>66</u>, 3613

⁴ Y.-G Suh, J.-K. Jung, S.-Y. Seo, K.-H. Min, D.-Y. Shin, Y.-S. Lee, S.-H. Kim, H.-J. Park, *Journal of Organic Chemistry* **2002**, <u>67</u>, 4127

Wieland-Miescher Ketone

8a-Methyl-3,3,8,8a-tetrahydro-2*H*,7*H*-naphthalene-1,6-dione [20007-72-1]

Commercially available

Preparation:

Notes: Chiral preparations include the proline-catalyzed reactions² and recently an aldolase antibody 38C2 method has been reported.³ See also:⁴

Examples:

1.5

73%

13%

¹ S. Ramachandran, M. S. Newman, Organic Syntheses, CV5, 486

² G. Zhong, T. Hoffmann, R. A. Lerner, S. Danishefsky, C. F. Barbas, III, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 1997, 119, 8131

³ B. List, R. A. Lerner, C. F. Barbas III, Organic Letters 1999, 1, 59

⁴ D. Rajagopal, R. Narayanan, S. Swaminathan, Tetrahedron Letters 2001, 42, 4887

⁵ S. Karimi, Journal of Natural Products 2001, 64, 406

⁶ K. Park, W. J. Scott, D. F. Wiemer, Journal of Organic Chemistry 1994, 59, 6313

Wilkinson's Catalyst

Chlorotris(triphenylphosphine)rhodium (I) [14694-95-2]

Commercially available

K. Burgess, W. A. van derDonk, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 2, 1253

Notes:

Useful for homogeneous reduction of alkenes. As a consequence of the reagent bulk, it is understandable that the reactivity of alkene reduction is dependent on substitution; the less-substituted alkenes react faster. Also, reduction occurs from the less-hindered face in a *cis*-stereochemistry. Many other functional groups are tolerated by conditions.

Examples:

¹ L. J. Whalen, R. L. Halcomb, Organic Letters 2004, 6, 3221

$2.^{1}$ Use in hydroformylation:

3.²

$$t\text{-BuO}$$

Et

H₂, Rh(PPH₃)₃Cl

EtOH

95%

¹ M. Seepersauda, M. Kettunenb, A. S. Abu-Surrahc, T. Repob, W. Voelterd, Y. Al-Abed,

Tetrahedron Letters 2002, 43, 1793

H. M. L. Davies, E. Saikali, N. J. S. Huby, V. J. Gilliatt, J. J. Matasi, T. Sexton, S. R. Childers, Journal of Medicinal Chemistry 1994, 37, 1262

Yamada's Reagent

DEPC, diethyl phosphorocyanidate, diethyl phosphoryl cyanide, diethyl cyanophosphonate [2942-58-7]

Commercially available. Prepared by the reaction of triethylphosphite with cyanogen bromide

H. H. Patel, Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, John Wiley and Sons, Inc., L. A. Paquette, Ed., New York, 1995, 3, 1851

Notes: Useful for carboxylic acids activation towards the preparations of esters, thioesters and amides:

EtO
$$\stackrel{O}{P}$$
 $\stackrel{CN}{CN}$ $\stackrel{CN}{O-H}$ $\stackrel{I.}{:NEt_3}$ $\stackrel{O}{R}$ $\stackrel{O}{O-H}$ $\stackrel{EtO}{O-H}$ $\stackrel{OEt}{O-H}$ $\stackrel{O}{-H-Z-R'}$

The reagent also finds application in the conversion:

Examples:

1.1

$$\begin{array}{c} CH_2 \\ EtO_2H \\ CO_2H \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} CH_2 \\ CO_2Et \\ Et_3N, DMF \end{array} \begin{array}{c} CH_2 \\ O \\ CO_2Et \\ \end{array}$$

2.2

$$N = \frac{1}{N} = \frac{1}{$$

¹ J. Jew, J. Kim, B. Jeong. H. Park, Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1997, 8, 1187

² T. Okawa, S. Eguchi, Tetrahedron Letters 1996, 37, 81

³ S. Harusawa, R. Yoneda, T. Kurihara, Y. Hamada, T. Shioin, *Tetrahedron Letters* 1984, <u>25</u>, 427

Zeise's Dimer

Di- μ -chlorodichlorobis(η 2-ethene) diplatinum [12073-36-8]

Commercially available

A. J. Phillips, e-Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis, L.A. Paquette, Ed.,, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., online reference available at http://www.interscience.wiley.com.

Notes:

Useful for opening cyclopropane rings and hydrating alkynes.

Examples:

1.1

 $2.^{2}$

$$3.^{3}$$

t-BuO

Zeise's dimer

R

CDCl₃

$$R = H, Me$$
 $R = H, Me$
 $R = H, Me$

¹ J. Beyer, P. R.Skaanderup, R. Madsen, Journal of the American Chemical Society 2000, 122, 9575

² K. Ikura, I. Ryu, N. Kambe, N. Sonoda, Journal of the American Chemical Society 1992, 114, 1520

³ Y. Chen, J. K. Snyder, Journal of Organic Chemistry 2001, 66, 6943

⁴ Z. Ye, M. Dimke, P. W. Jennings, Organometallics 1993, 12, 1026

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